

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

_____ day _____, 2014

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2014
AS "CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH" IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, the U.S. Surgeon General has stated that the mouth is a mirror for general health and well-being, and research shows that poor oral health contributes to many systemic health problems such as diabetes, heart disease and stroke, and poor birth outcomes for certain pregnant women; and

WHEREAS, dental decay is a public health problem for SLO County's children and there are significant oral health disparities in San Luis Obispo County, with low-income and minority children having the highest level of dental disease, including almost 60 percent of third grade children in the county who do not have dental sealants, a well accepted clinical intervention to prevent tooth decay in permanent molar teeth; and

WHEREAS, the SLO County Children's Oral Health Initiative, launched in November 2008, has been working to solve local children's dental health issues, focusing on increased access to care, increased access to prevention, and developing strategies to build ongoing infrastructure within the county; and

WHEREAS, the County hired an Oral Health Program Manager in April 2011 to help coordinate children's oral health issues, and the Oral Health Program Manager, along with the Central Coast Dental Society, the Central Coast Dental Hygienists' Society and the Oral Health Coalition have been planning numerous activities and free dental clinics for children that will commence in February 2014; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2014 the First 5 Commission of San Luis Obispo and the Oral Health Coalition will host the fourth, free Oral Health Summit at Mountainbrook Community Church to recognize community efforts that, over the last 7 years, have shown success, and have the potential for being implemented across the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby proclaim February 2014 Children's Dental Health Month and urges all parents to take their child in for regular dental appointments, and encourages all interested people in San Luis Obispo County to attend the Oral Health Summit.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk