

PROCLAMATION

Presented by Supervisor Ron Roberts

HONORING VOICES FOR CHILDREN

WHEREAS, the health, safety and well-being of residents is of primary concern for the County of San Diego and on July 13, 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted Live Well San Diego to achieve the County's vision of safe, healthy and thriving communities; and

WHEREAS, the Live Well San Diego vision is about uniting all sectors—business, schools, military and veterans' organizations, community and faith-based organizations, and all levels of government—in order to bring about positive change; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1980, Voices for Children transforms the lives of abused, neglected or abandoned children in foster care in San Diego and Riverside Counties by providing them with trained volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocates; and

WHEREAS, Voices for Children's Court Appointed Special Advocates serve as a consistent adult presence and teach vital life skills to foster youth; and

WHEREAS, Voices for Children prioritizes health and wellness with their staff, advocates, and the youth they serve by providing workshops on self-care and holding a Health and Wellness fair; and

WHEREAS, through participating in the Fostering Futures Initiative, Voices for Children provides San Diego's Transitional Age Youth with knowledge, removes barriers, and fills gaps to promote self-sufficiency and success; and

WHEREAS, Voices for Children is committed to continuing to advance Live Well San Diego into the future, and is embracing strategies of this vision in ways such as collaborating with various organizations that serve foster youth in order to achieve better outcomes for Transitional Age Youth in San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Diego is committed to recognizing and honoring those organizations that are dedicated to the best ideals of public service and Voices for Children is one such worthy organization; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT PROCLAIMED by Kristin Gaspar and all members of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on this 13th day of November 2018 that they commend VOICES FOR CHILDREN for its outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the health and wellness of county residents, and do hereby declare this day to be "VOICES FOR CHILDREN LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO DAY" throughout San Diego County.

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