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## - Proclamation -

### **CHILD WELFARE STAFF APPRECIATION**

**May 12, 2015**

**WHEREAS**, Children are our most valuable resource and will shape the future of St. Louis County; and

**WHEREAS**, Children of all ages have the basic right to a family and a safe, loving and supportive home that promotes their social, emotional and developmental well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, Child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

**WHEREAS**, Child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that can have lifelong consequences; and

**WHEREAS**, Child protection is a core function of county government in the state of Minnesota, with abuse and neglect prevention remaining the best defense for our children and families; and

**WHEREAS**, The ability to protect children at risk for abuse and neglect rests on the dedication and professionalism of St. Louis County's Child Welfare Staff, often working under extreme stress because of their commitment to the children who need them;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners, committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of all children in our community, hereby proclaims its gratitude and recognition of the Public Health and Human Services Department Child Welfare Staff, who provide a continuum of services from prevention to child protection, for their dedication and essential work on behalf of the county's most vulnerable children.