

# *City of Santa Clara* **Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** In Santa Clara County over 600 children live in out-of-home care and approximately half of these youth need a stable and nurturing family to care for them. Currently, there are approximately 151 active foster (resource) homes that help care for children, but there is a constant need to recruit new foster (resource) families; and
- WHEREAS,** As part of National Foster Care and Resource Parent Awareness Month, the Santa Clara County Department of Family and Children's Services (DFCS) recognizes the part we all play in enhancing the lives of youth in foster care. DFCS acknowledges that is also a time to appreciate caregivers and raise awareness about the critical need for more committed, nurturing, and consistent families where youth in foster care can thrive; and
- WHEREAS,** Hundreds of community events are being planned throughout the month across the country to appreciate, retain, recruit and support foster (resource) parents; and
- WHEREAS,** During the month of May, DFCS honors and acknowledges foster (resource) parents, youth who are in foster care, family members, and other organizations and members of the community who help serve children and youth in need.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim May 15 - 18, 2025 as

## **NATIONAL FOSTER CARE & RESOURCE PARENT AWARENESS MONTH**

in the City of Santa Clara and do hereby urge all citizens to appreciate caregivers and raise awareness about the critical need for more committed, nurturing, and consistent families where youth in foster care can thrive.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 27th day of May 2025.



**LISA M. GILLMOR**  
MAYOR, CITY OF SANTA CLARA



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