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Board of Supervisors

PROCLAMATION

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR

Safety Seat Checkup Week

WHEREAS, the number one preventable cause of death and injury to children and young adults is the automatic collision; and

WHEREAS, about 90 child passengers under fifteen are killed and more than 12,000 are injured in automobile collisions in California each year; and

WHEREAS, 71% of small children killed in crashes would be alive today if they had been properly restrained in child safety seats; and

WHEREAS, 45% of injuries to child occupancies ages four to eight could be prevented with the use of booster seats; and

WHEREAS, more than 90% of child safety seats are used incorrectly; and

WHEREAS, The State of California requires that all occupants ride restrained properly in safety seats or safety belts with children in the back seat until at least age; and

WHEREAS, crash- tested safety seats are moderately priced and widely available for purchase at retail stores and, at low cost, from safety seat distribution programs throughout California; and

WHEREAS, SafetyBeltSafe U.S.A. has been dedicated for more than 41 years to protecting children from injury or death while being transported in a motor vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim May 16th - May 22nd, 2021 as **Safety Seat Checkup Week**.

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