

**WHEREAS**, the mission of Family Court Awareness Month is to highlight the need to prioritize child safety in family court; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 58,000 children in the United States are ordered into unsupervised contact with abusive parents each year, resulting in nearly 1,000 children murdered during these visitations since 2008; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Family Court Awareness Month (FCAM) is to promote judicial education that would include training in domestic violence, child abuse, childhood trauma, coercive control, and post-separation abuse for all professionals involved in family court cases; and

**WHEREAS**, Family Court Awareness Month aims to inspire collaboration among legislators, advocates, professionals, and the community to improve family court practice, ensuring they are guided by evidence-based research and prioritize the safety and best interest of our children.

**NOW, THEREFORE, MAY IT BE RESOLVED** that I, Mark Stapp, Mayor of the city of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, in recognition of our community, do hereby proclaim November to be

FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Mark Stapp November 18, 2025