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Lake County Commissioners Declare August Child Support Awareness Month

PAINESVILLE, Ohio, August 10, 2022– August is Child Support Awareness Month in the State of Ohio. Child Support Awareness Month is an important opportunity to recognize that support from both parents is essential to meeting a child's physical, social, and emotional needs and lays the groundwork for their future success.

"Issuing this proclamation is a way to raise awareness and support the children in Lake County," said Commissioner John Hamercheck. "Children deserve support from both parents to ensure a successful future."

The Lake County Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) located at Lake County Job and Family Services is responsible for the collection and enforcement of administrative and court ordered support payments. Lake County CSEA can also conduct free genetic testing for parents who need paternity established for their child or provide them with an Acknowledgment of Paternity Form to complete.

"It is of upmost importance that we in Lake County support the children," said Commissioner John Plecnik. "The Lake County Department of Job and Family Services does a great job of this."

Lake County CSEA can also establish child support orders. Please contact (440) 350-4000 for more information about these and other child support services offered.

"Our staff members are committed to assisting families and children with their child support needs in an effort to promote family stability and child safety," said Job and Family Services Director Suzanne Casar. "Anyone with questions about establishing paternity or exploring child support orders is encouraged to contact our agency," continued Casar.

The Lake County Department of Job and Family Services is fortunate to receive support and recognition from the Lake County Commissioners regarding this important topic. During their August 4, 2022 meeting, the Lake County Commissioners graciously passed a resolution declaring August 2022 as Child Support Awareness Month in Lake County.

"The Lake County Department of Job and Family Services offers wonderful services we have here in Lake County," said Commissioner Mark Tyler. "The good that they do does not go unnoticed."