

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing September 28, 2015, through October 4, 2015 as Diaper Need Awareness Week in Jackson County.

RESOLUTION NO. 18903, August 17, 2015

INTRODUCED BY Tony Miller, County Legislator

WHEREAS, diaper need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy, and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of infants, toddlers, and their families; and,

WHEREAS, national surveys report that one in three mothers experiencing diaper need at some time while their children are less than three years of age and forty-eight percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend their supply; and,

WHEREAS, the average infant or toddler requires an average of 50 diaper changes per week over three years; and,

WHEREAS, since diapers cannot be bought with food stamps or WIC vouchers, obtaining a sufficient supply of diapers can cause economic hardship to families; and,

WHEREAS, a supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare and quality early education programs; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of Jackson County recognize that addressing diaper need can lead to economic opportunity for the state's low-income families and to improved health for families and their communities; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County is proud to be home to various community organizations that recognize the importance of diapers in helping provide economic stability for families and distribute diapers to poor families through various channels; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby proclaims the week of September 28, 2015, through October 4, 2015, as Diaper Need Awareness Week in Jackson County and encourages all citizen to donate generously to those organizations that distribute diapers to families in need.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Chief Deputy County Counselor



County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 18903 of August 17, 2015, was duly passed on August 17, 2015 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 7

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 2

8.17.15

Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature