WHEREAS, the County of Centre and Centre County DRS are committed to providing for children, their families, and caregivers the emotional, financial and medical support they deserve from their parents, as well as a relationship with both father and mother, and the benefits that come with such a relationship; and

WHEREAS, child support enforcement professionals, attorneys, advocates and judges are an invaluable resource to the County of Centre giving hope and support to children and helping to foster strong families and responsible parenting; and

WHEREAS, Centre County DRS child support professionals maintain a high degree of effectiveness and demonstrate a remarkable partnership between state and local government, and the executive and judicial branches of government; and

WHEREAS, the title IV-D Child Support Enforcement Program is focused on families first to improve the lives of children in Centre County by providing exceptional customer care, establishing programs to assist families, and making child support a reliable source of income; and

WHEREAS, Centre County DRS personnel have received awards recognizing their efforts and success as one of the state leaders in the Child Support Enforcement Program; and

WHEREAS, Centre County is one of the state leaders in the Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement Program exceeding all federal performance standards for establishment of support orders and paternity, collections of current support and arrears, and cost effectiveness; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners recognize August 2012 as CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AWARENESS MONTH in the Commonwealth and encourage all citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities.

ADOPTED this 31st day of July 2012.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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