

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.44 OF THE  
SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CODE BY RENAMING  
THE CHILDREN'S COMMISSION AS THE CHILDREN  
AND YOUTH COMMISSION**

The Board of **Supervisors** of the County of Santa Cruz ordains as follows:

**SECTION I**

Chapter 2.44 of the Santa Cruz County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Chapter 2.44**

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH COMMISSION**

- 2.44.010**      **Established--Statutory authority.**
- 2.44.020**      **Membership.**
- 2.44.030**      **Term of office.**
- 2.44.040**      **Organization and procedures.**
- 2.44.050**      **Commission staff.**
- 2.44.060**      **Support services.**
- 2.44.070**      **Powers and duties.**

- 2.44.010**      **Established--Statutory authority.**

The children and youth commission is established under the authority of Government Code Section 3 1000.1 and in compliance with Section 2.38.060 of the Santa Cruz County Code.

A.      The commission shall consist of ten members, residents of the county, appointed by the board of supervisors.

B.      Each supervisor shall nominate one parent who shall represent a parent group consisting of at least five families with some regular means of communication among the members, and who shall be a present or potential user of child care services. At least two of these members shall be parents drawn from groups having a substantial proportion of low-

income families, minority-group families, or families whose children participate in public-funded child care programs.

C. Five members shall be persons appointed on an at-large basis to represent public or private agencies which are present or potential providers of children's services or child development programs. Three of these members shall represent the health services agency, the county office of education, and the human resources commission.

#### **2.44.030 Term of office.**

A. Each member representing a supervisorial district shall serve for a term of four years, commencing on April 1st of the year in which the member's nominating supervisor begins a full term.

B. Each at-large member shall serve for a term of four years, staggered in accordance with subsection A2 of Section 2.38.100 of the Santa Cruz County Code, with such staggering determined by lot.

#### **2.44.040 Organization and procedures.**

The commission shall comply in all respects with Sections 2.38.110 through 2.38.250 of this code unless otherwise provided herein,

#### **2.44.050 Commission staff.**

The commission's coordinator shall serve as the administrative staff to the commission and shall provide copies of all minutes, reports and recommendations to the board of supervisors. The coordinator shall be selected by the county administrative officer who shall consult with the commission concerning the selection.

#### **2.44.060 Support services.**

The county human resources commission shall provide administrative support, including office space, fiscal services, and clerical support for the commission. The county superintendent of schools shall provide clerical support and printing services for the commission, and shall assist and advise on matters concerning the education of children. The county health services agency shall provide staff assistance to the child health advisory board as as advise and assist the commission well on matters concerning child health in this county.

#### **2.44.070 Powers and duties.**

The commission shall exercise the following responsibilities in its efforts to achieve the highest quality and maximum effectiveness of children's services which promote and secure the health, development, safety and early childhood education of the children of this county:

- A. Serve as a recognized community-coordinated child care council in the county;
- B. Advise and report directly to the board of supervisors on any matters concerning the development, administration and review of preschool, child care, and child health programs in the county;
- C. Determine the needs of children in the county, and initiate programs to meet those needs;
- D. Coordinate the efforts of various public and private agencies and organizations administering preschool and child care programs in the county to ensure the effectiveness of such programs;
- E. Communicate with other county advisory bodies concerned with children's programs; and
- F. Exercise any other responsibilities which may be set forth in the commission's bylaws, approved by the board of supervisors.

## SECTION II

This ordinance shall take effect on the 3 1st day after the date of final passage.

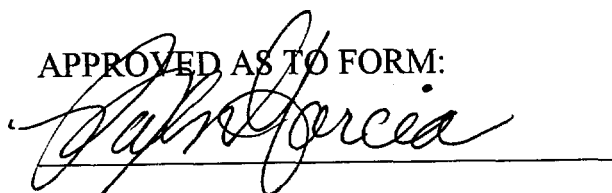
PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS  
 NOES: SUPERVISORS  
 ABSENT: SUPERVISORS  
 ABSTAIN: SUPERVISORS

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Chairperson of the  
 Board of Supervisors

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pablo Garcia", is written over a horizontal line.

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