

City of El Paso de Robles

Proclamation

TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION MONTH

may 2003

W*HEREAS*, the teen pregnancy problem crosses all racial, cultural and socio-economic lines, and teen parenthood has emotional, health and financial consequences that impact the teen, their families and society as a whole; and

W*HEREAS*, the California Department of Health Services ***It's Up to Me*** media campaign works with a vast network of community-based organizations, including Community challenge Grants, Male Involvement Programs, Information and Education Programs, and TeenSMART Outreach programs to promote teen pregnancy prevention on a local level; and

W*HEREAS*, the San Luis Obispo County Economic Opportunity Commission Health Services Community Education and the peer education–***Y-CARE? (Youth Committed to AIDS-related Education)***–programs have made significant contributions to the education of young people on issues concerning reproductive health in efforts to reduce the number of teen pregnancies; and

W*HEREAS*, between the years of 1995 and 2001 births to teens 15 through 19 years of age have steadily declined in San Luis Obispo County; and

W*HEREAS*, this significant decline of such an important health indicator clearly attests to the fact that effective intervention programs and the involvement of California communities and the ***It's Up to Me*** media campaign are making a difference.

N*OW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that I, Frank Mecham, Mayor of the City of El Paso de Robles, speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby declare May 2003 as **TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION MONTH** and encourage all citizens to support the EOC Health Services in this worthwhile campaign.

I*N WITNESS WHEREOF*, on this 15th day of April 2003, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

Frank R. Mecham, Mayor