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Child Support Awareness Month

California's children represent the future of our Golden State, and their well-being and development is our most vital responsibility.

Children need the support and nurturing of their families to become healthy, productive and well adjusted adults. Child Support Awareness Month is an opportunity to educate the public about the importance of California's child support program, which is committed to promoting the security of children by ensuring that parents assume their financial responsibilities on a consistent and timely basis.

California's child support program led the nation in 2003 by collecting more than \$2.3 billion to help meet the needs of children.

Throughout Child Support Awareness Month, I encourage Californians to uphold our commitment to youth and work cooperatively to create golden opportunities for all children and families.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger