

**City of San Rafael**  
**Proclamation**  
**Week of the Young Child - April 2 – 8, 2022**

**WHEREAS**, children’s cognitive, physical, social and emotional, and language and literacy development are built on a foundation of children’s positive interactions with adults, peers, and their environment; and

**WHEREAS**, quality early childhood education promotes the intellectual, emotional and physical development of children, which in turn lay the foundation for children's success in school and later life; and

**WHEREAS**, young children need developmentally appropriate, accessible, and available early care and education settings; and

**WHEREAS**, high–quality early childhood education depends on high–quality early childhood educators who ensure that children, supported by families, have the early experiences they need for a strong foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, public policies and programs which support early learning for all young children are crucial to their futures, and those who contribute significantly to the lives of young children in our community deserve our recognition and gratitude; and

**WHEREAS**, San Rafael is a strong, safe community which is supportive of families raising caring and capable children, and it appreciates the many organizations and individuals that support access to high-quality childcare programs for our young people;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE COLIN, Mayor of San Rafael**, hereby proclaim April 2 through 8, 2022 as the Week of the Young Child.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kate Colin".

**Kate Colin**  
**Mayor**