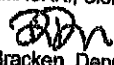


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DAVID H. YAMASAKI, Clerk of the Court


BY: R. Bracken, Deputy Clerk

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF ORANGE
SITTING AS THE JUVENILE COURT
MISCELLANEOUS ORDER M-2026-3**

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FAMILY PRESERVATION
DISCRETIONARY FUNDS**

TO: DIRECTOR, ORANGE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY

THE COURT FINDS that the Social Services Agency's Family Preservation Program has been designed to strengthen and support families whose children are at risk of abuse or neglect through the provision of intensive, short-term services intended to avoid removal of children from the home or to expedite early reunification.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that a Family Preservation Discretionary Fund has been established in the Social Services Agency budget to meet identified families' needs for goods or services which are not available through existing resources, and that expenditure of such funds may be necessary to maintain children in their home or to facilitate their return from out-of-home care.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the Family Preservation Discretionary Fund will be monitored by the Social Services Agency to assure appropriateness of expenditures and that accountability will be maintained as directed by the Auditor-Controller.

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1 **FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN THEREFOR, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the
2 Director of the Orange County Social Services Agency, or designee, is authorized to draw
3 funds from the Family Preservation Discretionary Fund on behalf of children and children's
4 families identified to receive Family Preservation Services.

5 Notwithstanding Local Rule 900.1.3, this Order will not expire absent further order of
6 the Court.

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9 Dated this 20th day of May, 2026.

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13 Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court
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