



Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation



Whereas, child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community;



Whereas, approximately 3 million children are reported abused and neglected in this country each year;

Whereas, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities, and need to be addressed by the entire community;

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

Whereas, all citizens should become more aware of the negative effects of child abuse and its prevention within the community, and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment;

Now, Therefore, I _____ do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in _____ and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

Signed

