



**Prevent Child Abuse
Minnesota**

April as Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

Whereas, child abuse is an issue that affects all members of our community and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community;

Whereas, child abuse prevention works when partnerships created between parents, practitioners, schools, faith communities, health care organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

Whereas, family-serving, youth-focused prevention programs offer positive alternatives for young people and encourage parents and youth to develop strong ties to their communities;

Whereas, all citizens need to be more aware of child abuse and neglect and its prevention within the community, and be involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing society.

Now, Therefore, I, (official's name) hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in (name of city or community) and call upon all citizens, community groups, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect, thereby strengthening the community in which we live.