



Proclamation

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Whereas children are vital to our state's future success, prosperity and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable assets;

Whereas all children deserve to have the safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities they need to foster their healthy growth and development;

Whereas preventing child abuse and neglect prevention is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community;

Whereas communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development and concrete resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children ensure all children grow to their full potential;

Whereas effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

Therefore, I do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Craven County, and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

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Jason R. Jones, Chairman

March 20, 2023

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Nan Holton, Clerk to the Board