April 1, 2016

WHEREAS, children are the future of ___(City/County)___ and our community’s most valuable resource; and

WHEREAS, all communities benefit from children who grow up to be contributing members of society; and

WHEREAS, finding solutions to child maltreatment requires input and action from everyone in our communities; and

WHEREAS, education efforts increase public awareness about ways to recognize and prevent child abuse; and

WHEREAS, community efforts are instrumental in combating the long-term effects of child maltreatment including psychological, emotional, and physical effects that can have lifelong consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed as a result of partnerships among citizens, social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

WHEREAS, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ___(Government Official)_____, do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in ___(City/County)____________ and call upon all citizens to Say Something, Do Something for Kids by dedicating ourselves to the task of preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

Signature___________________________________      Date_______________

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