

Resolution/Award/Presentation

E.2.

4/23/2024

Subject:

Resolution to proclaim Child Abuse Prevention Month for the month of April

Fiscal Impact:

None

Dept/Office:

District 1 Commission Office

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board approve a Resolution proclaiming April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Summary Explanation and Background:

Child Abuse Prevention Month is an opportunity to urge engagement in activities that strengthen families and communities, and that provide the optimal environment for healthy child development.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please frame one Resolution.

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April 24, 2024

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Rita Pritchett, District 1

RE: Item E.2., Resolution to Proclaim April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on April 23, 2024, adopted Resolution No. 24-027, proclaiming April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

Encl. (1)



CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida's bright future depends on the healthy development of its children; and

WHEREAS, adverse childhood experiences, including the abuse and neglect of children, can cause severe and costly consequences for children, families, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, every child has a right to a safe, healthy and happy childhood where they are educationally and developmentally on track; and

WHEREAS, research shows that parents and caregivers who have support systems and know how to seek help in times of trouble are more resilient and better able to provide safe environments and nurturing experiences for their children; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that individuals, businesses, schools and community organizations make children a top priority and take action to support the physical, social, emotional and educational development and competency of all children; and

WHEREAS, during the month of April, Prevent Child Abuse Florida, in collaboration with the Governor's Office of Adoption and Child Protection, the Florida Department of Children and Families, Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida, and the Child Abuse Prevention Task Force of Brevard, implements Pinwheels for Prevention; and

WHEREAS, Pinwheels for Prevention is a statewide coordinated campaign aimed to increase awareness of child abuse prevention efforts by encouraging healthy child development, positive parenting practices and community support; and

WHEREAS, the blue and silver pinwheel displays in this campaign symbolize the health and happiness all children deserve; and

WHEREAS, Child Abuse Prevention Month is an important opportunity to urge all Floridians to engage in activities that strengthen families and communities, and that provide the optimal environment for healthy child development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioner of Brevard County, Florida, does hereby designate April 2024 as

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH.

DONE, ORDERED, AND ADOPTED in regular session by the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners, this 23rd day of April 2024.

ATTEST:

Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

BY:

BY: _____

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

JASON STEELE, CHAIR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FL