

City of Ellensburg

PROCLAMATION

National Child Abuse Prevention Month

April 2021

Whereas, child abuse and neglect are serious problems affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

Whereas, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of the community in which we live; and

Whereas, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

Whereas, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of partnerships created between child welfare professionals, education, health, community and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies and families; and

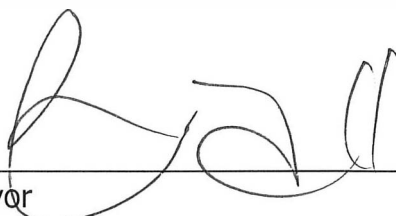
Whereas, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that create strong and thriving children and families; and

Whereas, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in safe, stable, and nurturing environments; and

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

Now, therefore, we do hereby proclaim **APRIL** as **NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH** and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders and businesses in the City of Ellensburg to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

Signed this 5th day of April, 2021.



Mayor

Attest: 
Deputy City Clerk