

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Proclamation

**DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020
AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

- WHEREAS, approximately three million children are reported abused and neglected in the United States each year; and its estimated that over 1,700 children died from abuse and neglect in a single year,
- WHEREAS, child abuse prevention is a community problem all citizens should become more aware of the effects of child abuse and its prevention, and finding solutions depends on the involvement of people throughout the community; and
- WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, the business community and supporting parents in raising their children in safe and nurturing environments; and
- WHEREAS, current local initiatives to prevent child abuse include: Building Resilience a countywide collaboration, Adverse Childhood experiences, Nurturing Families Program, Differential Response, RCS Wrap Around Services, Infant Massage, Motherwise and the Protective Factors; and
- WHEREAS, events being held for the month of April this year are the Pinwheel Challenge, and child abuse information is being shared on media for the month. Other events recognizing April as child abuse prevention will be taking place later in the year.

NOW, THEREFORE, that the Lake County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim April 2020, as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in Lake County and calls upon its citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the community in which we live.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of April, 2020.

ATTEST: CAROL HUCHINGSON
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF LAKE

By: _____
Deputy

Chair, Board of Supervisors