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RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2022 AS "CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH"

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect are a community condition and problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people in the community all year long; and

WHEREAS, strengthening families and providing supportive programs to all families is a priority in Santa Barbara County and the Child Abuse Prevention Council works tirelessly to connect programs and people throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the North County Rape Crisis and Child Protection Center has been providing child abuse prevention programming and awareness activities in North County since 1983 with an end goal of educating the community on the issues of child abuse and neglect with the hopes of eradicating this community health crisis; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, youth organizations, religious organizations, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, the business community, and residents; and

WHEREAS, early intervention can offer an opportunity to heal the impacts of child abuse and toxic stress and the Center along with members of the Child Abuse Prevention Council provide resources and education that assists parents as well as generating community support aimed at strengthening families.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors proclaims April 2022 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" with a commitment to public awareness and early intervention strategies that reduce children's exposure to abuse, and continue to invest in the healthy future of our children and families with a continued focus on preventative health care, mental health, wellness interventions, and child abuse prevention programming.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 5th day of April, 2022 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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