



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and preventing child abuse requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse and neglect are felt by whole communities, and child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, one of the most effective ways to prevent child abuse is to strengthen families to ensure safe, stable, nurturing environments for children; and

WHEREAS, neighbors, community organizations, employers, teachers, people in the service industry, and faith communities can play important roles in providing support to families; and

WHEREAS, research has shown that child abuse is less likely to occur when parents feel secure and empowered to ask for help and have access to resources in their community; and

WHEREAS, to end child abuse and neglect, all Coloradoans need to learn about child abuse and neglect and be willing to get involved to help a parent or child in need.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado do hereby proclaim the month of April 2023 as:

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Northglenn and urge all residents to join together to invest in the lives of children, offer a helping hand to parents and families, support organizations who advocate on behalf of children, and increase awareness to recognize and prevent child abuse.

Dated, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 10th day of April 2023.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

