

Washoe County, Nevada

~PROCLAMATION~

WHEREAS, Our children represent innocence, happiness and our future and the Washoe County Department of Social Services remains devoted to the safety and well-being of our children, families and community; and

WHEREAS, In fiscal year 2016, 7,437 reports were made to Washoe County Child Protective Services; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse prevention succeeds because of the meaningful connections and partnerships created between child welfare, education, health, community and faith-based organizations, businesses and law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, Employees placed 700 blue pinwheels inside and outside several Washoe County buildings to raise awareness for National Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month; and

WHEREAS, The pinwheels represent the joyful, carefree childhood every child deserves and are a symbol to aspire for a brighter tomorrow and a future that recognizes the importance of having happy, successful, thriving children; and

WHEREAS, The public is encouraged to join the national effort by wearing blue clothing or a ribbon during the month of April and be attentive and cognizant in their efforts to stop child abuse and neglect by reporting suspected abuse and or neglect;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 2017 as

~ National Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month ~

to raise awareness about child abuse prevention, assist families in need of guidance, support, and recovery and as a reminder of the thousands nationwide who are victims of abuse.

Dated this 18th day of April, 2017.




Bob Lucey, Chair
Washoe County Commission

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