



- WHEREAS, children are vital to the county's success and represent the potential prosperity of our community as they are our most valuable asset; and,
- WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life for Gaston County; and,
- WHEREAS, children of our community deserve to have safe, stable, nurturing homes which are free from abuse such as physical, sexual, emotional and trauma; and,
- WHEREAS, communities that provide professionals who address parents' needs by supporting them with education and resources so they are better able to cope with stress so they may nurture their children to their full potential; and,
- WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, schools, health care providers law enforcement, faith communities, municipal departments, elected leaders, nonprofits as well as civic and business organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners proclaims April 2017 as

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

in Gaston County and urges its citizens to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the community in which we live.

Chad Brown, Chairman

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To be Adopted the 28th Day of March 2017



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DHHS - Social Services Division Board Action

File #: 16-629

Commissioner Brown - Prevent Child Abuse Gaston, Inc./DHHS (Social Services Division) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2017 as **Child Abuse Prevention Month** in Gaston County

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BACKGROUND

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Proclamation

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

NO.	DATE	M1	M2	Brown	Frale	Grant	Hovis	Keigher	Philbeck	Worley	Vote
2017-062	03/28/2017	RW	TK	A	AB	A	A	A	A	A	U

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