



Proclamation

City of Owatonna

WHEREAS Every child is born into a world filled with unlimited possibilities and we must ensure all our young people have the support they need to realize their enormous potential; and

WHEREAS A strong stable family is the best foundation for a promising childhood, and when parents and caregivers have support from their families, friends and their community, they are more likely to provide a safe and healthy environment for their children; and

WHEREAS Child abuse includes physical, sexual and emotional abuse; physical or emotional neglect or physical endangerment; and

WHEREAS The month of April was first declared Child Abuse Prevention Month in the United States during 1983; and

WHEREAS The National Blue Ribbon Campaign uses the month of April to bring awareness for Child Abuse Prevention; and

WHEREAS The mission of the Exchange Center for Family Unity in Owatonna is to educate and support families and communities in prevention of child abuse and

WHEREAS The Exchange Club of Owatonna wants to increase public awareness of the National Blue Ribbon Campaign in hopes of making our community a better place to live by encouraging everyone to not turn their backs and help stop or prevent future child abuse.

NOW THEREFORE I, Thomas A Kuntz, Mayor of the Great City of Owatonna, hereby proclaim this month, the Month of April 2021, as

Blue Ribbon Month to Prevent Child Abuse

and I ask the Citizens of Owatonna to help bring an end to child abuse and neglect.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2021.

By: _____
Thomas A. Kuntz, Mayor