



PROCLAMATION

Designating the Month of April 2016 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in the City of Edgewater, Colorado

Every child deserves to grow up in a nurturing environment, free from harm and fear. All children do not receive appropriate care; in fact, too many children become victims at the hands of abusive perpetrators, and it is up to us as a community to tirelessly work to end it through awareness and action. Every responsible person will agree that even one abused child is too many.

The month of April has been designated nationally as Child Abuse Prevention Month. At this time, we encourage all Edgewater citizens to join in renewing our commitment to preventing child abuse and learning what we can do to promote the safety and well-being of children.



WHEREAS, Edgewater has dedicated individuals and organizations who work daily to counter the problem of child abuse and to help parents obtain the assistance they need; and

WHEREAS, our community is stronger when all citizens become aware of child abuse prevention and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe and nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs, such as Ralston House, succeed because of partnerships among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community;

WHEREAS all citizens, community agencies, faith organizations and businesses will work to increase their efforts to support families,

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED by the Mayor of the City of Edgewater, that the month of April 2016, has been designated "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in the City of Edgewater, Colorado.

/s/ *Kris Teegardin*, Mayor

Date: April 7, 2016