


Proclamation

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION MONTH APRIL 2016

- Whereas, in Federal Fiscal Year 2013, 52 States reported 678,932 victims of child abuse or neglect; and
- Whereas, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone in our community; and
- Whereas, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of the City of Apache Junction, AZ; and
- Whereas, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that can have lifelong consequences for victims of abuse; and
- Whereas, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and
- Whereas, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed 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, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that benefit children and their families; and
- Whereas, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, nurturing environment; and
- Whereas, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Insalaco, Mayor of the City of Apache Junction, do hereby proclaim April 2016 as NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION MONTH in Apache Junction, Arizona, and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

Signed and attested to this 23rd day of March, 2016.


JOHN INSALACO
Mayor

ATTEST:


KATHLEEN CONNELLY
City Clerk

