

**IN RECOGNITION OF  
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

**APRIL 2025**

- WHEREAS,** FLORIDA'S BRIGHT FUTURE DEPENDS ON THE HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT OF ITS CHILDREN AND EVERY CHILD HAS A RIGHT TO A SAFE, NURTURING, AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT TO THRIVE. ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES, INCLUDING THE ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF CHILDREN, HAVE LASTING CONSEQUENCES FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES, MAKING PREVENTION CRUCIAL; AND
- WHEREAS,** RESEARCH SHOWS THAT PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS WITH STRONG SUPPORT SYSTEMS ARE MORE RESILIENT AND BETTER EQUIPPED TO PROVIDE STABLE AND NURTURING ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHILDREN; AND
- WHEREAS,** INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN FOSTERING CHILDREN'S PHYSICAL, SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY FUNDS FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS THAT WORK TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE, STRENGTHEN FAMILIES, AND REDUCE TRAUMA, HELPING CHILDREN GROW IN SAFE AND STABLE HOMES. THE *BROWARD **AWARE!*** CAMPAIGN, LED BY THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL AND ITS PARTNERS, RAISES AWARENESS ABOUT CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION BY PROMOTING POSITIVE PARENTING AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT; AND
- WHEREAS,** CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO URGE ALL FLORIDIANS TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES THAT STRENGTHEN FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES TO PROVIDE THE OPTIMAL ENVIRONMENT FOR HEALTHY CHILD DEVELOPMENT; NOW
- THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 2025, AS:

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH  
IN THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA.**

SIGNED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF  
APRIL, 2025 AT  
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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MAYOR JOSH LEVY  
VICE MAYOR IDELMA QUINTANA  
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM  
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ  
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI  
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