

Proclaim the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month Resolution

WHEREAS, the Child Advocacy Network (CAN) of Monroe County is a non-profit organization of concerned citizens, professionals, and agencies for programs to prevent child abuse and neglect;

WHEREAS, both statewide and nationally, child abuse is considered to be one of our nation's most serious public health problems with scientific studies documenting the link between the abuse and neglect of children and a wide range of medical, emotional, psychological and behavioral disorders such as depression, alcoholism, drug abuse, severe obesity and juvenile delinquency; and

WHEREAS, CAN Council encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making Monroe County a better place for children and families by ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to care for their children; and

WHEREAS, promoting family functioning/resiliency, social support systems, nurturing and attachment, and knowledge of parenting/child development all are known protective factors which prevent child mistreatment and help to strengthen families; and

WHEREAS, CAN of Monroe County plants Pinwheels around the county to remember that pinwheels are an uplifting reminder of childhood and the bright futures all children deserve; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this 19th day of April, 2021, the Ida Public Schools Board of Education, hereby Proclaim the Month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Monroe County.