

From the office of the Mayor
Proclamation

- Whereas;** Preventing child abuse and neglect is a community problem that depends on involvement among people throughout the community; and
- Whereas;** Child maltreatment occurs when people find themselves in stressful situations, without community resources and don't know how to cope; and
- Whereas;** The majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community; and
- Whereas;** Child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure each family has the support they need to raise their children in a healthy environment; and
- Whereas;** Child abuse and neglect not only directly harm children, but also increase the likelihood of criminal behavior, substance abuse, health problems such as heart disease and obesity and risky behavior such as smoking; and
- Whereas;** Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community; now
- Therefore;** I, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF NEVADA, HEREBY PROUDLY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL TO BE:

Child Abuse Prevention Month

IN THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS AND ASK ALL CITIZENS TO BECOME INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING FAMILIES IN RAISING THEIR CHILDREN IN A SAFE AND NURTURING ENVIRONMENT WHICH WILL HELP TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE AND STRENGTHEN THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH WE LIVE.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF:
BY THE POWERS GRANTED TO ME,
I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND
AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE
CITY OF LAS VEGAS TO BE AFFIXED
THIS 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Oscar B. Goodman", is written over a horizontal line.

HONORABLE OSCAR B. GOODMAN
MAYOR, CITY OF LAS VEGAS