

Proclamation

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

APRIL 2024

WHEREAS, the Westminster Mayor and City Council joins the Family Resource Center in bringing awareness to Child Abuse Prevention Month; and

WHEREAS, one of the many amazing resources provided by the City is the Family Resource Center which provides resources and services to families to help keep children safe, healthy, and thriving by prevention and intervention of child abuse; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect impacts children and families regardless of their socioeconomic status, race, culture, religion, ethnicity, educational level, age, sex, or where they live; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 there were 30,840 calls in Orange County to the child abuse registry for unduplicated children and 594 of these children residing in Westminster; and

WHEREAS, 9 children died from child abuse or neglect in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, this City Council recognizes the importance of working together and supporting each other to help children and families by providing resources, education, and support during challenges and struggles having to do with incidents of child abuse; and

WHEREAS, April is Child Abuse Prevention Month throughout the nation, so we're asking each resident of the City of Westminster to support families and children by bringing awareness to prevent, provide intervention and inform others of the resources available.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor of the City of Westminster, on behalf of Vice Mayor Kimberly Ho, and Council Members Amy Phan West, Carlos Manzo, and NamQuan Nguyen do hereby proclaim April 2024 as CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in the City of Westminster and encourage all to learn about the importance of child abuse prevention and taking part in combatting child abuse in our community.

Signed and Dated this 24th day of April 2024 by the City Council.

Chicheng No. Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor

Kimberly Ho, Vice Mayor, District 3

Carlos Manzo, Council Member, District 2

Amy Phan West, Council Member, District 1

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NamQuan Nguyen, Council Member, District 4