

Executive Department

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, childhood is a formative time and abuse and neglect can have devastating long-term effects on young lives; and

WHEREAS, parents, family members, educators, public officials and faith-based organizations share in the effort to protect our youth and in helping to ensure that children are safe and can grow without fear of abuse; and

WHEREAS, Ohioans share the commitment to support our youth and to promote safe and stable families; and

WHEREAS, research has shown that when protective factors are present – including parental resiliency, social connection, knowledge of parenting and child development, concrete support, and social and emotional development – the incidence of child abuse and neglect is reduced; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is committed to building a state in which all children can thrive, develop character, and learn to be responsible citizens in an environment of security and love; and

WHEREAS, by lessening the incidence of child abuse and neglect, Ohioans have an opportunity to make a positive difference in the life of a child and build a brighter future for our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate April, 2011 as

OHIO CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION MONTH

throughout Ohio and encourage all citizens to help protect our children by creating strong, healthy communities.

On this 1st day of April, 2011;



John R. Kasich
Governor

