## **Proclaiming April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month**

To help raise public awareness and to encourage the public to recognize and report child abuse, federal and local jurisdictions proclaim the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. By recognizing April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month," the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) joins the Inter-Agency Council on Child Abuse and Neglect (ICAN), ICAN Associates, the Department of Children and Family Services, and the Office of Child Protection in bringing the public's focus to the tragedy of child abuse and neglect and to create an atmosphere conducive to preventing child abuse, protecting children and helping families. Child abuse and neglect impacts children and families from all cultural, ethnic and socioeconomic groups and leaves lasting psychological scars on victims, families, and communities.

I, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of April 2019 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" throughout the County of Los Angeles, to raise public awareness of the devastating impact of child abuse and neglect, recognize the

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efforts of professionals and volunteers who work to prevent harm to children, promote the well-being and protection of children and families, and encourage all LA County residents to participate in recognizing, reporting and preventing this tragic crime against children.

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