

City of New Castle Proclamation

Child Abuse Prevention Month

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of the State of Indiana and each of its communities; and

WHEREAS, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that can have lifelong consequences for the victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs and activities succeed because of the partnerships created among social services agencies, education, health agencies, community- and- faith based organizations, businesses and law enforcement agencies; and

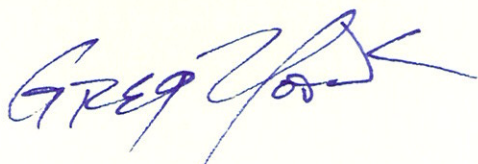
WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that benefit children and their families; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions is a community responsibility requiring input and action from everyone in each community; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, Prevention remains the best defense for our children and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG YORK, as Mayor of New Castle, Indiana, do hereby proclaim April, 2015 as **NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE AND PREVENTION MONTH** in our community, and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.



Greg York, Mayor
City of New Castle

