## **PROCLAMATION**

## National Child Abuse Prevention Month April 2023

**WHEREAS**, Nevada's Children are one of the most precious resources in our state and provide the hope for a brighter tomorrow in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, protecting children is everyone's business and everyone can promote the support of safe healthy families in our community through partnering to protect children; and

WHEREAS, child abuse is a community issue and finding solutions depends on involvement and partnerships among people throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention succeeds because of partnerships created between parents, practitioners, schools, faith communities, healthcare organizations, law enforcement agencies, community leaders, politicians, and the business community; and

WHEREAS, all citizens need to be more aware of child abuse and neglect and its prevention within the community, and be involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing society; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and prevention regarding child abuse and neglect remains the best defense for our children and families.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Lori Bagwell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim the month of April 2023 "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and encourage all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to partner in efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the community in which we live.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2023

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Lori Bagwell, Mayor