

Resolution No:
Dated: April 7, 2009

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE
COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAIMING APRIL 2009
AS
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, almost three million suspected cases of child abuse and neglect are reported nationwide each year; and

WHEREAS, more than 10,049 calls of suspected child abuse and/or neglect were made in the last year to the Family, Youth and Children's Services Division of the Sonoma County Human Services Department; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Blue Ribbon Campaign, sponsored by the California Parenting Institute and the Sonoma County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council will focus on educating the community on the issues and magnitude of the problem; and

WHEREAS, Minimizing Occurrences of Violence in Everyday Society (MOVES) has joined in recognizing the need to STOP child abuse and child fatalities caused by abuse; and

WHEREAS, each year public and private agencies throughout Sonoma County, including the Human Services Department and the District Attorney's Office and the State of California sponsor Child Abuse Prevention activities during the month of April to increase community awareness about issues of child abuse; and

WHEREAS, child abuse prevention does not end in April; and

WHEREAS, working together we can make a difference for all of the children in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the month of April 2009 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

SO ORDERED

SUPERVISORS:

BROWN; _____ KERNS: _____ ZANE: _____ CARRILLO: _____ KELLEY _____

AYES: _____ NOES: _____ ABSTAIN: _____ ABSENT: _____