

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 10, 2007 Council Session

Item C1

Proclamation "Child Abuse Prevention Month" April 2007

Because all children deserve love, comfortable homes, and tender care from parents and adults who make them feel safe, happy and loved and because many children were involved in substantiated cases of abuse and neglect in 2006, and because the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and need to be addressed by the entire community, the Mayor has proclaimed the month of April, 2007 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month". See attached PROCLAMATION.

Staff Contact:

City of Grand Island City Council

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

City of Grand Island State of Nebraska

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and must

be addressed by the entire community; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of

partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the

business community; and

WHEREAS, all citizens should become more aware of child abuse and its

prevention within the community and become involved in supporting parents to ensure their children are valued, safe, and

healthy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Margaret Hornady, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2007 as

"CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH"

in the City of Grand Island, and encourage all citizens to accept their responsibility for reporting and preventing child abuse and to wear a Blue Ribbon to show that it shouldn't hurt to be a child. Remembering that, every child should be valued, safe, and healthy and deserves a Blue Ribbon. You have the power to protect a child.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this tenth day of April in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seven.

| | Margaret Hornady, Mayor |
|------|---------------------------|
| est: | |
| _ | RaNae Edwards, City Clerk |