

Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR GULF SHORES, ALABAMA

April – Child Abuse Prevention Month

WHEREAS, for more than 27 years, CARE House, Inc., Baldwin County Child Advocacy Center, has provided services and programs for child victims of sexual assault and / or severe physical abuse; and

WHEREAS, it is time to focus on ways not only to protect children, but also prevent abuse from ever occurring. Child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure each family has the support they need to raise their children in a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect not only directly harm children, but also increase the likelihood of criminal behavior, substance abuse, health problems such as heart disease and obesity, and risky behavior such as smoking; and

WHEREAS, the majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Craft, Mayor of Gulf Shores and on behalf of the Gulf Shores City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2016, as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the City of Gulf Shores, Alabama. I encourage all residents to work together to raise awareness of child abuse and the need for its prevention.



Robert Craft

Robert Craft, Mayor

Attest:

Manda Carris

Date:

March 28, 2016

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

