PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, children are our future and our greatest resource; and

WHEREAS, every child deserves a nurturing family and safe environment to grow into a healthy, productive member of the community; and

WHEREAS, child abuse is one of our nation's most serious public health problems and threatens the safety of our community; and

WHEREAS, in Tarrant County, 5,842 children were confirmed as victims of child abuse or neglect in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Alliance For Children provided trauma-informed services to 2,510 children in 2018; and

WHEREAS, finding solutions to prevent child abuse is a community responsibility and depends on the involvement of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention, investigation and treatment programs succeed because of partnerships among public and private agencies, schools, religious organizations, medical services, and the business community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pat McGrail, Mayor of the City of Keller, Texas, and on behalf of our City Council and citizens, do hereby proclaim the month of

April, 2019

as

"Child Abuse Prevention Month"

in the City of Keller, Texas, and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in the years to come.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Keller, Texas, to be affixed on this the 16th day of April 2019.

P.H. McGrail, Mayor City of Keller

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