

# **Proclamation**

## **Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month April 2019**

**Whereas**, the Adams County Board of Commissioners prides itself on giving back to the community, contributing to the quality of life of all our citizens, and

**Whereas**, Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month draws attention to the hundreds of innocent child victims in Adams County each year who suffer from physical, sexual or emotional abuse and neglect at the hands of their parents or guardians, and

**Whereas**, the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Adams & Broomfield Counties, in association with the National CASA Association, speaks up for the basic human rights of our abused and neglected children who are involved in the human services and court systems, through no fault of their own, and

**Whereas**, effective child abuse prevention programs, such as Ralston House, succeed because of partnerships among families, social service agencies, school, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community;

**Whereas**, through community efforts, Adams County residents are encouraged to join together to raise awareness during the month of April, and continuing throughout the year, for our most vulnerable children who have fallen victim to abuse and neglect, and

**Whereas**, through this effort, Adams County citizens will help to ensure that abused and neglected children have the opportunity to live in safe, loving, permanent homes and have hope for their future.

**Now Therefore, Be It Resolved**, that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims April 2019 as

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and urges all citizens to join the local, statewide and national efforts to raise awareness and to help prevent child abuse and neglect.

In witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed – March 26, 2019.