

# City of Rochester



**WHEREAS**, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

**WHEREAS**, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the partnerships created between child welfare professionals, education, health, community- and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and families; and

**WHEREAS**, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that create strong and thriving children and families; and

**WHEREAS**, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, and nurturing environment; and

**WHEREAS**, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Kim Norton, Mayor of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 2022 as

## **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**

In Rochester, Minnesota and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the corporate seal of the City of Rochester to be affixed this 1st day of April, 2022.

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Kim Norton, Mayor  
City of Rochester, Minnesota