

Proclamation

2017 Child Prevention Month

WHEREAS, regardless of who they are or circumstances of their birth, every child deserves care and to be kept safe from harm; and

WHEREAS, during Child Abuse Prevention Month, We are reminded of the courage it takes to raise a child and that fundamental human rights means living free from violence and abuse; and

WHEREAS; child abuse is considered to be one of our nation's most serious public health problems, with scientific studies documenting the link between abuse and neglect of children; and

WHEREAS; keeping children safe from abuse means playing an active role in their lives, having check-ins, and teaching them the warning signs of abuse and how to protect themselves; and

WHEREAS; empowering our children and providing them with safe places to live, learn, and play is vital to keeping them safe from harm; and

WHEREAS; Bosque County remains committed to sustaining safe, nurturing, and supportive environments for families raising children; and

WHEREAS; effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships between families, social services agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the community; and

WHEREAS; displaying a pinwheel during the month of April will serve as a positive reminder that together we can prevent child abuse and neglect, and in doing so keep children safe;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Don Pool Bosque County Judge, do hereby recognize April 2017 as CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in Bosque County, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

" Child Abuse Prevention Month"



Don Pool, Bosque County Judge

Date: 26 April 2017