

Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING

CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County recognizes the importance of awareness for the prevention of child abuse; and

WHEREAS every child in San Mateo County is a precious gift, full of promise and potential; and

WHEREAS child abuse and neglect is a serious problem in San Mateo County and across the nation; and

WHEREAS every year in the state of California, child welfare service agencies receive 485,000 reports of suspected child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS there were 4,050 referrals concerning child abuse and neglect in San Mateo County during 2004; and

WHEREAS the prevention of child abuse is crucial to the preservation of the health and well-being of San Mateo County's families, and can be accomplished by providing support and information to families in addition to increasing community awareness; and

WHEREAS all children learn from role models at home, at their place of worship, at school, and in their communities and all children benefit from the love and leadership displayed by caring and responsible adults; and

WHEREAS children are our most precious resource and San Mateo County is committed to keeping all children safe and happy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County designates APRIL 2005 as CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH.

DATED: April 1, 2005


SUPERVISORS:


RICHARD S. GORDON, PRESIDENT



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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors