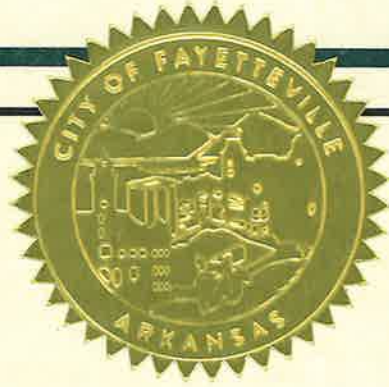


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**Proclamation**



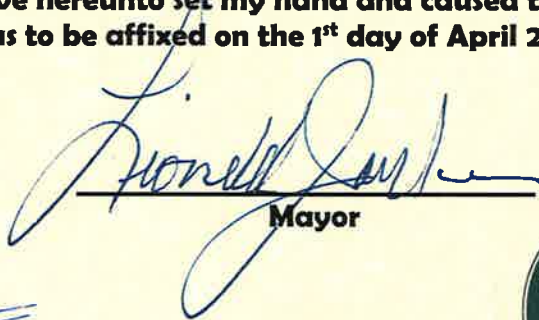
- WHEREAS:** child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires action from everyone in our community, and
- WHEREAS:** our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of Fayetteville as well as all of Arkansas, and
- WHEREAS:** child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that can have lifelong consequences for victims of abuse, and
- WHEREAS:** protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children, and
- WHEREAS:** effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the meaningful connections and partnerships created between child welfare, education, and health communities – and faith-based organizations, businesses, and law enforcement agencies, and
- WHEREAS:** prevention of abuse and neglect remains Fayetteville’s goal for our children and families, and
- WHEREAS:** communities are encouraged to promote programs and activities that benefit children and their families. It is important to work together as a city to increase awareness about child abuse and support the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, and nurturing environment.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim the month of April 2023 as**

**“CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH”**

**in Fayetteville, Arkansas and encourage residents, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in supporting families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening our communities.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2023.**

  
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Mayor

**Attest:**

  
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City Clerk Treasurer

