

Proclamation

Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month
In Santa Clara, Texas - April 2024

Whereas, more than 63,989 cases of child abuse and neglect were confirmed in Texas during 2023; and

Whereas, there were 277 confirmed victims of child abuse and neglect in Guadalupe County in 2023; and

Whereas, child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people; and

Whereas, communities must make every effort to promote and support programs that benefit children and their families; and

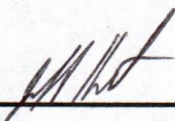
Whereas, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among a variety of entities including but not limited to schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, child protective services, prosecution agencies, medical professionals, mental health professionals, the Children's Advocacy Centers, Court Appointed Special Advocates, and other community-based non-profit organizations; and

Whereas, everyone in the community should become more aware of child abuse prevention and consider helping parents raise their children in safe, nurturing environments as well as supporting local professionals dedicated to meeting the needs of child abuse victims; and

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, in official recognition, the City of Santa Clara hereby proclaims April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month in Santa Clara, Texas, and urge all citizens to work together to reduce child abuse and neglect and to significantly improve the response of our community when child abuse occurs in the months and years ahead.

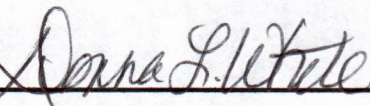
In Witness Whereof, we have here unto set our hand this 25th day of March 2024.

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Jeff Hunt, Mayor



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Donna L. White, City Secretary