PROCLAMATION
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH – WARREN COUNTY
APRIL 2023

WHEREAS,   child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community.

WHEREAS,   approximately 38,013 reports of child abuse and 161,709 reports of child neglect were investigated in Pennsylvania for 2021. In Warren County, 153 reports of child abuse and 594 reports of child neglect were investigated for 2021.

WHEREAS,   the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and need to be addressed by the entire community.

WHEREAS,   effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community.

WHEREAS,   Pinwheels for Prevention will be placed in the courthouse yard as a symbol for child abuse and neglect prevention. These serve as a reminder for our community to take an active role in preventing child abuse and neglect.

AND FURTHER, we commend the Children and Youth Advisory Committee, CASA of Warren and Forest Counties and the Warren County Children's Advocacy Center for providing such information to our people and urge full support of their successful effort, in concert with local community agencies, public and private, to establish a community-wide network of education and treatment where abusing parents and children are at last finding new hope and effective support.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners of Warren County do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Warren County and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

ADOPTED, this 22rd day of March, 2023.
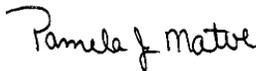
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