



CITY OF MILWAUKIE
"Dogwood City of the West"

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is an ongoing tragedy; and

WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and effective child abuse intervention programs succeed because of partnerships between the courts, social service agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

WHEREAS, all citizens should become more aware of child abuse and its prevention within the community, and actively support parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, children are key to the Milwaukie's future prosperity and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, children are our most valuable resources, they are also our most vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, children have a right to be safe and have an opportunity to thrive and grow; and

WHEREAS, we must come together as partners so the voices of our children are heard by all and that we as a community may extend a helping hand to children and families in need; and

WHEREAS, by providing a safe and nurturing environment for our children, free of violence, abuse and neglect, we can ensure Milwaukie's children will grow to their full potential as the next generation of leaders, helping to secure the future of this city and nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Wilda Parks, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim the Month of April 2015 as **Child Abuse Prevention Month** in the City of Milwaukie and call upon all citizens to increase their participation in efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening our community.

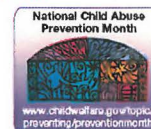
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 7th day of **April, 2015**.

Wilda Parks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pat DuVal, City Recorder

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