

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA
PROCLAIMING APRIL 2018 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, National Child Abuse Prevention Month is a time to raise awareness of the critical importance of safe, stable, and loving environments for children to thrive in as emphasized in this year's theme, "Help Great Childhoods Happen "; and

WHEREAS, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that can have lifelong consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, the majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable when our communities are supportive, active, and engaged; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the meaningful connections and partnerships created between child welfare, education, health, community- and faith-based organizations, businesses, and law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, wearing the color blue, wearing a blue ribbon, or displaying a blue Pinwheel for Prevention in April will serve as a positive reminder that together, we can prevent child abuse and keep children safe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Sonora does hereby proclaim April 2018 as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month and urges all citizens to join Prevent Child Abuse Tuolumne County (PCATC) and its engaged partners, as they support each family's efforts to keep themselves and their children safe, healthy, and in a nurturing environment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 16th day of April of the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen.

Signed _____

Connie L. Williams, Mayor

Attest _____

Marijane Cassinetta, City Clerk