

Resolution Recognizing Child Abuse Prevention Month

WHEREAS, in Federal fiscal year 2017, 4.1 million reports were made to child protective services; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone in our community; and

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of Eau Claire and beyond; and

WHEREAS, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting 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 partnerships created between child welfare, education, health, community and faith-based organizations, and businesses and law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs, policies and activities that create strong and thriving children and families; 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.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire School Board hereby designates the Month of April as **Child Abuse Prevention Month** in the Eau Claire Area School District and urges all community members to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the School Board of the Eau Claire Area School District has executed this resolution this 15th day of April, 2019.

Joe Luginbill, President	