

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION**  
Child Abuse Awareness Month

This April, the Borough of Petersburg, Alaska recognizes the importance of protecting children and acknowledges the injustices experienced by those who endure abuse or neglect, often in silence, as they navigate complex and painful circumstances beyond their control. We affirm our commitment to the safety and well-being of all children and call upon our community to take an active role in prevention.

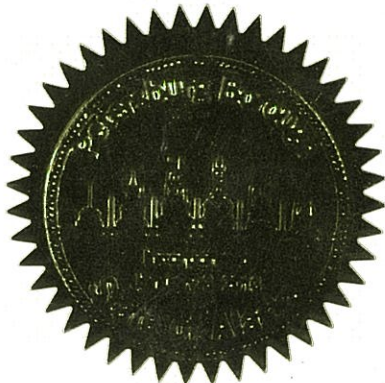
We recognize that child abuse and neglect remain serious concerns in our communities. Across Alaska, many children experience abuse, neglect, or exposure to violence, placing them at risk for lifelong challenges that can impact their health, development, and well-being.

We acknowledge that the effects of child abuse extend beyond the individual, impacting families and the broader community. Prevention requires strong partnerships and a shared commitment to supporting families, addressing risk factors such as domestic violence and substance misuse, and promoting safe, stable, and nurturing environments for all children.

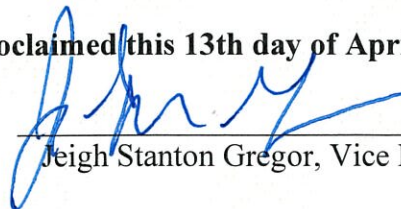
We honor the work of educators, childcare providers, Tribal partners, healthcare professionals, advocates, law enforcement, and first responders who play a critical role in protecting children and strengthening families.

Every child deserves a safe and nurturing childhood, and prevention is a shared responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeigh Stanton Gregor, Vice Mayor of the Borough of Petersburg, Alaska, do hereby proclaim April 2026 as Child Abuse Prevention Month and call upon all residents to support families, raise awareness, and work together to prevent child abuse and neglect.



Proclaimed this 13th day of April 2026

  
Jeigh Stanton Gregor, Vice Mayor