

By the City of Tenino
Proclamation
Child Abuse Prevention Month

WHEREAS, the City of Tenino recognizes our future rests in the hands of our most vulnerable and cherished assets- our children; and
WHEREAS, all children deserve to live in safe, stable, and nurturing environments which promote their healthy growth and development; and
WHEREAS, child abuse, neglect and other trauma are recognized as serious public health problems affecting both the current and future quality of life in our community; and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of our community to ensure parents, caregivers and other adults who influence the health and well-being of children have the support, knowledge and concrete resources necessary to ensure all children thrive to their greatest potential; and
WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, health care providers, and the business community; and
WHEREAS, we, as City of Tenino residents, continue our commitment to protecting all members of our community, and call upon all citizens to join together to increase public safety and prevent the further abuse and neglect of our children.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Wayne Fournier, Mayor of the City of Tenino, do hereby proclaim
April 2023 as *Child Abuse Prevention Month*

and urge all Tenino citizens, communities, state agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders, medical providers, educators, and businesses to increase their participation in efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the community in which we live.

Signed, this 14th day of March, 2023

Wayne Fournier, Mayor

Linda K. Gotovac, Council Member

Elaine Klamm, Council Member

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