

*office of the mayor  
city of Wolfforth*

# PROCLAMATION

*Whereas:*

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

**WHEREAS**, our children are our most valuable resource and will shape the future of the City of Wolfforth, Lubbock County, our State and the Nation;

**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 professionals, education, health, community and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and families; and

**WHEREAS**, communities must make every effort to promote programs 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, and nurturing environment; and

**WHEREAS**, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Charles Addington, II, Mayor of the City of Wolfforth, do hereby proclaim April 2024 as NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in the City of Wolfforth and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

**PROCLAIMED** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2024



*mayor*  
