

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-03

A RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL TO BE "CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH" IN THE CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a problem that crosses all ethnic, social and economic lines, and its prevention depends on involvement among people throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, most instances of child abuse are not caused by inherently violent or evil people, but by parents who are unable to cope with their tempers in a time of crisis; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect not only harm children directly, but also increases the likelihood of long term physical and mental health problems, alcohol and substance abuse, continued family violence and criminal behavior; and

WHEREAS, the majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable when a community is engaged to support families and provide parents with the skills and resources they need to be effective caregivers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the City of Cherokee Village supports programs for the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

SECTION 2: That in order to bring awareness of this community problem, the month of April 2010 is hereby declared to be "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in the City of Cherokee Village.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

DATE: March 18, 2010

APPROVED: Lloyd Hefley
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: Phyllis J. Endriks
Phyllis J. Endriks, Clerk/Treasurer