

**PROCLAMATION
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

Whereas, children are innocent and precious; they are our future and deserve to grow up nurtured and free of the maltreatment of abuse and neglect; and

Whereas, preventing child maltreatment is a problem that depends upon collaboration among agencies and individuals throughout the community; and

Whereas, child maltreatment not only directly harms children, but also increases the likelihood of long-term physical and mental health problems, and social dysfunction for those individuals, as well as future generations, at great economic and social costs; and

Whereas, child maltreatment occurs in families of all cultural, ethnic, and economic backgrounds; and

Whereas, the majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community; and

Whereas, child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure each family has the support needed to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment.

NOW THEREFORE, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, recognizing the importance of working together to prevent child abuse and promote the well-being of children and families, does hereby proclaim April 2019 as **Child Abuse Prevention Month**, and calls upon all residents to increase participation in these efforts to support families, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

Dated: April 2, 2019



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rex Bohn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "R" and "B".

Rex Bohn, Chair