

TOWN OF LOOMIS**PROCLAMATION
DECLARING APRIL 2021
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, everyone has a role to play in making sure that our community is a great place for children and families to thrive; and

WHEREAS, in California 16% of children have experienced four or more Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) and 33% of children are reported to have had at least one ACE; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect often occurs when people find themselves in isolated or stressful situations, without community resources, and don't know how to cope; and

WHEREAS, the majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable when our communities are supportive, active and engaged; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure every family has the support it needs and deserves to raise their children in a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, Effective prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and Placer County's collaborative, including the Town of Loomis, is among the most effective in the country, and;

WHEREAS, For 30 years, KidsFirst, Child Abuse Prevention Council, comprised of two counseling and family resource centers located in Roseville and Auburn, serves the Western Placer County as a Child Abuse Prevention Council; and

WHEREAS, Wearing the color blue, wearing a blue ribbon, or displaying a pinwheel in April will serve as a positive reminder that together, we can prevent child abuse and keep children safe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the Town Council of the Town of Loomis does hereby proclaim April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention awareness month and urges all citizens to join KidsFirst, Child Abuse Prevention Council, and its engaged partners, as they support each family's efforts to keep themselves and their children safe, happy, and healthy.

PROCLAIMED this 13th day of April, 2021.

Mayor Jeff Duncan