



**2021 Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month
PROCLAMATION**

Council Sponsors: Councilors Alisa Brewer, Lynn Griesemer, and Mandi Jo Hanneke; Resident Sponsor: Marlene Musante, Member of the Board of the Children’s Advocacy Center

WHEREAS, April was first declared “Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month” by Presidential Proclamation in 1985; and

WHEREAS, the month of April is devoted to celebrating all the activities to transform communities into places that care about families and children; and

WHEREAS, Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

WHEREAS, Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month is about connecting all of the above concepts so that solutions to child abuse may be achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Amherst Town Council proclaims the month of April to be Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month and further recognize this Proclamation by hoisting the Child Abuse Prevention flag from April 6, 2021 to April 30, 2021 to help cultivate awareness for all residents of Amherst.

VOTED this 22nd day of March, 2021

J. Lynn Griesemer
Town Council President