

WHEREAS, children are our future and our greatest resources; and

WHEREAS, every child deserves a nurturing family and safe environment to grow into a healthy, productive member of the community; and

WHEREAS, child abuse is one of our nation's most serious public health problems and threatens the safety of our community; and

WHEREAS, in Tarrant County, 6,203 children were confirmed as victims of child abuse or neglect in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Alliance for Children provided trauma-informed services to 2,125 children in 2020; and

WHEREAS, finding solutions to prevent child abuse is a community responsibility and depends on the involvement of all citizens; and

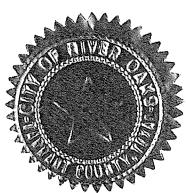
whereas, effective child abuse prevention, investigation and treatment programs succeed because of partnerships among public and private agencies, schools, religious organizations, medical services, and the business community; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, Joe Ashton, Mayor and the City Council of the City of River Oaks, do hereby proclaim the month of

APRIL 2021 As CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

And urge our fellow citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in the years to come.

PROCLAIMED THIS 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2021.



Joe Ashton Mayor