RESOLUTION # 15-2024

Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a complex and ongoing problem in our society, affecting many children in Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, nurtured, feel secure and be free from verbal, sexual, emotional and physical abuse, and neglect; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect not only directly harm children, but also increase the likelihood of criminal behavior, substance abuse, health problems, and risky behavior;

WHEREAS the effects of child abuse are felt by communities as a whole, and need to be addressed by the entire community;

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

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Borough of Branchville does proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, and calls upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

CERTIFICATION

I certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Branchville at a regular meeting held on April 3, 2024.

Kathryn Leissler RMC CTC CMR

Municipal Clerk