



THE HONORABLE G.T. BYNUM

*PROCLAMATION*

*WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect is a community issue and finding solutions for prevention involves the entire community; and,  
WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect not only directly harms children, but causes costly and life-long issues such as, physical and mental health problems, drug substance abuse, school failure, and criminal behavior; and,  
WHEREAS, Research shows that parents and caregivers who have social networks and know how to seek help in times of trouble, are more resilient and better able to provide safe environments and nurturing experiences for their children; and,  
WHEREAS, Individuals, businesses, school, faith-based, and community organizations must make children a top priority and take action to promote the physical, social, emotional, and educational development and competency of all children; and,  
WHEREAS, It is encouraged that all citizens of Tulsa are to recognize that child abuse prevention begins with each of us.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, G.T. Bynum, Mayor of the City of Tulsa, do hereby proclaim the month of April as**

**“Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month”**

in the City of Tulsa

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tulsa to be affixed on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2018.

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read "G.T. Bynum", is written over a horizontal line.

G.T. BYNUM, MAYOR