

Legislation Text

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To recognize Prevent Child Abuse Ohio and support its Pinwheels for Prevention Campaign, to enhance community awareness about child abuse and neglect in Franklin County and encourage support for prevention.

WHEREAS, too many residents of the City of Columbus and Franklin County are unaware of the extent to which child abuse and neglect impact our community, and that thousands of cases of abuse and neglect are reported every year in Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, Prevent Child Abuse Ohio strives to prevent the abuse and neglect of Ohio's children by serving as an expert resource for collaboration, information and education; and

WHEREAS, Prevent Child Abuse Ohio is the primary prevention program for The Center For Child and Family Advocacy, a collaboration of Columbus Children's Hospital and the Columbus Coalition Against Family Violence; and

WHEREAS, this first of its kind center is a national leader in providing comprehensive intervention and prevention services, and long-term treatment and support for abused children and victims of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Prevent Child Abuse Ohio's Pinwheels for Prevention Community Campaign enhances community awareness about child abuse and neglect and encourages support for prevention by displaying children's pinwheels in front of courthouses, playgrounds, libraries and parks, with each pinwheel representing one reported case of child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, Pinwheels for Prevention dramatically illustrates to the public that child abuse and neglect happens in every community and encourages all community members to focus on prevention as part of an overall plan to break the cycle of child abuse and neglect; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council does hereby recognize and express its support for Prevent Child Abuse Ohio and the Pinwheels for Prevention Community Campaign.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be presented to Prevent Child Abuse Ohio with our esteem.