

PROCLAMATION

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, our community has a responsibility to protect our children and help them thrive in a safe and nurturing environment. During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, we proclaim that every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, secure and be free from verbal, sexual, emotional and physical abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a public responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, we must promote family cohesion and resiliency, provide social support systems and encourage child development education in order to prevent the maltreatment of children; and

WHEREAS, our communities are stronger when all citizens become aware of child maltreatment prevention and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe and nurturing environment; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rodney S. Craig, President of the Village of Hanover Park, do hereby proclaim the month of

April 2014

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Child Abuse Prevention Month

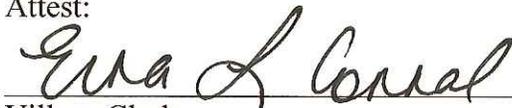
in the Village of Hanover Park and call upon all residents, community agencies, faith groups, businesses, criminal justice officials and elected leaders to increase their participation in efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the community in which we live.

Dated this 3rd day of April, 2014.



Village President

Attest:



Village Clerk