



**PROCLAMATION - 2019 ARCHULETA COUNTY'S RECOGNITION OF THE
MONTH OF APRIL AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, children have a right to thrive, learn, and grow to their full potential; and

WHEREAS, children are key to our county's future success, prosperity, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, while children are our most precious resource, they are also our most vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, strengthening Archuleta County's families is one of the most effective ways to prevent child abuse and neglect, ensuring the opportunity for children to develop in healthy, trusting families, schools, and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, when we ensure the healthy development of the next generation, they are more likely to contribute positively to our communities and be productive, responsible citizens; and

WHEREAS, families can also be made stronger when they are educated about the various stages of child development and age-appropriate child behaviors; and

WHEREAS, early identification of any developmental or behavioral concerns is important to keeping children safe; and

WHEREAS, we all play a role in preventing child abuse and neglect and there are ways everyone can get involved to help a child; and

WHEREAS, we must come together as partners to keep children safe, and extend a helping hand to children and families in need; and

WHEREAS, we will work to ensure that Archuleta County's children will grow to their full potential as the next generation of leaders, helping to secure the future of our communities, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, we call upon all citizens of the Archuleta County to provide safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and environments for our children, free of violence, abuse and neglect.

WE, THE ARCHULETA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THEREFORE, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2019.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO**

Mary Helminski, Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Ronnie Maez, Chairman