



Proclamation

CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on the involvement of each and every citizen throughout our community; and

WHEREAS, victims of child abuse and neglect are known to be at higher risk for experiencing post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, low academic achievement, drug use, juvenile delinquency, teenage pregnancy and adult criminality, every child is precious and deserves to grow up in a healthy, safe, nurturing environment free from harmful effects of abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1096 children in Wyoming are victims of abuse and neglect each year: and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse intervention and community prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among community member, social services, law enforcement agencies, schools, churches, businesses and civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Youth-serving prevention programs offer positive alternatives for young people and encourage youth to develop strong ties to their community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Pete Rust do hereby proclaim the month of April 2022 to be

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in Green River and call upon all citizens, community agencies, organizations; and businesses to increase their participation to become more aware of child abuse and its prevention within the community, and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of April 2022.



PETE RUST, MAYOR