



# **PROCLAMATION CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH 2018**

*WHEREAS*, every child is precious and deserves to grow up in a healthy, safe, nurturing environment free from the threat of danger and harmful effects of child abuse and neglect; and

*WHEREAS*, Texas children are our future and child abuse is one of our state's most complex and ongoing problems and whenever one child is abused or neglected, all Texans suffer; and

*WHEREAS*, almost 300,000 children in Texas were alleged victims of child abuse in 2017 with 204 confirmed cases being in Montague County; and

*WHEREAS*, local children's organizations as well as individuals and other interested organizations have come together to develop a program of prevention and awareness through contact with parents, teachers, caregivers, and children to help the community find solutions to this problem; and

*WHEREAS*, this month we emphasize the importance of understanding the devastating problem of child abuse and neglect, and the importance of all residents of Montague County to be involved in the protection of our children and supporting parents in raising and nurturing their children in their own homes; and


*NOW THEREFORE*, be it resolved that the Commissioners' Court of Montague County, Texas, does hereby proclaim the month of April 2018

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AND encourages all citizens of Montague County to stand united against child abuse and neglect and to join in dedicating their energies to cherishing Montague County's children and helping them grow, free from neglect, physical, emotional and sexual abuse.

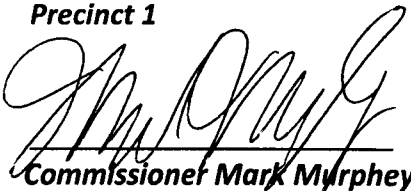
Signed this 9th day of April, 2018, in Montague County, Texas, by:

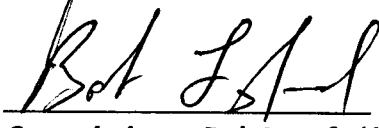
  
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