

**CITY OF YACHATS
RESOLUTION NO. 2016-04-05**

Proclaiming the Month of April 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Yachats, Oregon.

WHEREAS, Preventing child abuse and neglect is a community problem that depends on involvement among people throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Child maltreatment occurs when people find themselves in stressful situation, without community resources, and don't know how to cope; and

WHEREAS, The majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect cases not only directly harm children but also increase the likelihood of criminal behavior, substance abuse, health problems such as heart disease and obesity; and

WHEREAS, All of us as residents of the City of Yachats have a role to play in supporting families in raising children in safe, nurturing environments; and

WHEREAS, For 30 years, the Children's Trust Fund of Oregon has served tens of thousands of vulnerable children and families by fostering healthy child development and making strategic investments in proven, community-based child abuse prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, Effective child abuse prevention efforts succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

NOW THEREFORE, The Yachats City Council Proclaims:

April 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Yachats, Lincoln County, Oregon, in recognition of the important role the community plays in creating healthy and safe childhoods.

In recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month the Yachats City Council along with Yachats Youth & Family Activities Program agree to place a Pinwheels for Prevention Garden in front of the Yachats Commons to honor the children of Yachats and South Lincoln County.

Attest:

Ronald L. Brean, Mayor

Nancy Batchelder, City Recorder