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Senator Kunze

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month in
Ohio, April 2018.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize April 2018 as Child
Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, The incidents and prevalence of child abuse and
neglect have reached alarming proportions, and as a measure to
address this issue, April was designated as National Child Abuse
and Neglect Prevention Month by the United States Congress in
1983. During the month of April each year, various educational
activities and events are coordinated in an effort to seek and
apply solutions to this escalating problem; and

WHEREAS, Statistics show that the number of children who are
abused and neglected in the State of Ohio and across the country
continues to rise. In order to prevent the increase of this crime
in the future, it is necessary for all concerned citizens to join
in educating the general public, including potential offenders,
about the effects of this injustice and in developing a general
consciousness regarding its far-reaching devastation; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect is a community problem, and
finding the key to ending it depends on the cooperation and
involvement of public leaders, family members, educators, and
faith-based and civic organizations throughout the area. It is
vital that we all join forces to prevent the occurrence and
reoccurrence of this preventable crime, and Child Abuse and
Neglect Prevention Month in Ohio is a fitting time to focus our
attention on this problem, not only throughout our state but also
across our nation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 27
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, recognize 28
April 2018 as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month in Ohio and 29
urge all citizens to observe the month with appropriate programs 30
and activities; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 32
authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of Ohio. 33