



## TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS

*Land Where Flight Began*

### Proclamation – April 2019 Child Abuse Prevention Month

**WHEREAS**, children are vital to our state's future success, prosperity, and quality of life, as well as being our most vulnerable assets; and

**WHEREAS**, all children deserve to have safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities that foster their healthy growth and development; and

**WHEREAS**, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community; and

**WHEREAS**, communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development, and resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children ensure all children grow to their full potential; and

**WHEREAS**, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

**WHEREAS**, a special display, "Because Someone Cared," is set up on the corner of Croatan Highway and Eighth Street in Kill Devil Hills; and

**WHEREAS**, each figure in the display represents a substantiated case of child abuse in Dare County;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Town of Kill Devil Hills Board of Commissioner, hereby proclaims

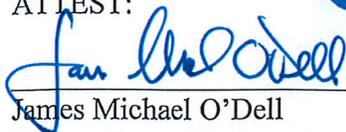
**April as Child Abuse Prevention Month** and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

Adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

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ATTEST:

  
James Michael O'Dell

Deputy Town Clerk



Sheila F. Davies, Ph.D.  
Mayor