



TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS
Land Where Flight Began

**A Proclamation Declaring April 2023 as
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;

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities they need to 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 citizen, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

WHEREAS, the Town’s Fire Station #14 annually hosts an installation of figures and pinwheels to commemorate this month; the pinwheel is reflective of the bright future all children deserve and the belief that getting it right early is less costly than trying to “fix” it later;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Kill Devil Hills, does hereby proclaim the month of April 2023, as

Child Abuse Prevention Month

in Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, and hereby 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.

This the 5th day of April, 2023.

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ATTEST:


James Michael O’Dell
Town Clerk




Benjamin A. Sproul
Mayor