**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL 2016 AS “CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH” IN SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO URGE ALL CITIZENS TO WORK TOGETHER TO HELP REDUCE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE YEARS TO COME.

Whereas, thousands of children are reported as abused and neglected every year; and

Whereas, child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people; and

Whereas, communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families; and

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, the business community, and organizations like the Exchange Club; and

Whereas, everyone in the community should become more aware of child abuse prevention and consider helping parents raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, proclaim the month of April 2016 as “Child Abuse Prevention Month” in South Carolina, and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in the years to come.

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