

# CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, All children deserve to grow up in a caring loving environment and deserve to have safe, stable, untiring homes and communities they need to foster their healthy growth and development; 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;

**WHEREAS**, in April, Village Improvement Association of Orange City Woman's Club, will implement Pinwheels for Prevention in Orange City, a statewide campaign promoting awareness of healthy child development, positive parenting practices and the types of concrete support families need within their communities;

**THEREFORE**, I, Gary A. Blair, Mayor of the City of Orange City, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 2018 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.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Orange City to be affixed on this day, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

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Gary A. Blair, Mayor