



Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 2012 there were 2,327 reports of child abuse serious enough to require a face-to-face investigation to determine if allegations of abuse were substantiated, and 210 children were removed from unsafe homes in Sonoma County; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Blue Ribbon Campaign, sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse Sonoma County and the California Parenting Institute will focus on educating all of us on the issues and magnitude of the problem; and

WHEREAS, Sonoma County's Department of Human Services, Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office have joined in recognizing and supporting the education, prevention, treatment, and need to cease all forms of child abuse; and

WHEREAS, each year public and private agencies throughout Sonoma County and the State of California sponsor Child Abuse Prevention activities during the month of April to increase community awareness about issues of child abuse; and

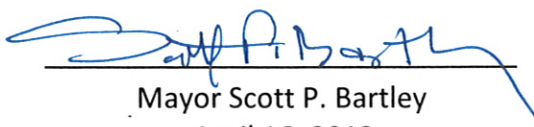
WHEREAS, child abuse prevention and support will continue year round; and

WHEREAS, working together we can make a difference for all of the children in our city.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Scott P. Bartley, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa do hereby proclaim, April 2013 as

Child Abuse Prevention Month





Mayor Scott P. Bartley
April 16, 2013