

1 [Child Abuse Prevention Month]

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3 **Resolution recognizing April 2005 as “Child Abuse Prevention Month” in the City and**
4 **County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, Preventing child abuse and neglect is a community problem that depends
7 upon the active participation of people throughout the community; and

8 WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect occurs when people find themselves in stressful
9 circumstances, without community support and resources, and unable to cope; and,

10 WHEREAS, The majority of child abuse cases result from conditions and situations that
11 are preventable; and,

12 WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect can be reduced by ensuring that each family has
13 the support they need to raise their children in a healthy and safe environment; and,

14 WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect not only directly harms children, but also
15 increases the likelihood of criminal behavior, substance abuse, health problems and other
16 risky behavior; and,

17 WHEREAS, Everyone should become involved in supporting families to raise their
18 children in a safe, nurturing environment; and,

19 WHEREAS, Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed through partnerships
20 between social service agencies, schools, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies,
21 faith-based organizations and the business community; and,

22 WHEREAS, The theme of the 2005 National Child Abuse Prevention Month is “Safe
23 Children and Healthy Families are a Shared Responsibility”; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognizes April 2005 as “Child Abuse
25 Prevention Month” in the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors calls upon all citizens, social
2 service agencies, schools, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, faith-based
3 organizations and the business community to increase their participation in efforts to support
4 families and preventing child abuse and neglect and strengthening the communities in which
5 we live.

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