PROCLAMATION

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

APRIL 2019

WHEREAS, abuse and neglect are suffered by children in our communities, regardless of age, race, gender or economic situation; and

WHEREAS, this reported maltreatment is only a portion of the overall problem threatening our children, for so many cases go unreported, and today's technology has brought with it a new and dangerous form of child endangerment - the online predator;

WHEREAS, the devastating consequences of physical and emotional abuse of our children affects the community as a whole and finding solutions needs to be attended to by the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, CARE House of Oakland County works to break the cycle of child abuse and neglect; provides a protective circle of light and hope for a better life; and advocates for the safety and protection of children; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Bob Gatt, on behalf of the Novi City Council, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month in the City of Novi. I call upon all citizens, community agencies, organizations, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent the abuse of our children, thereby strengthening and protecting the community in which we live.

Signed and sealed this 1st day of April 2019.

Bob Gatt
Mayor