

PROCLAMATION
National Child Abuse Prevention Month
April 2024

WHEREAS, April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month (CAPM), it is a time to highlight the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, children are vital to our city's future success, prosperity, and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable assets; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have the safe, stable, nurturing homes, and communities they need to foster their healthy growth and development; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community; and

WHEREAS, communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development, and concrete resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children to ensure all children grow to their full potential; and

WHEREAS, the City of Raton and Youth Heartline partner together to provide preventative services to the children and the families of Raton.

NOW THEREFORE, do I, James Neil Segotta, Jr., Mayor of the City of Raton, New Mexico do hereby proclaim the week of April 7th-13th, 2024 as:

Youth Heartline Child Abuse Prevention Week

and urge all citizens in the City of Raton to participate in the following free events to promote family connection, build the community, and prevent child abuse: "Show Your Blue Day", wear blue to show your support April 10th, "Family Movie Night", bring your family to watch the Goonies at the Shuler Theater on April 10th, and "Show Your Blue Dance Party", bring your family to connect and have fun at the Raton Convention Center from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on April 12th.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal and caused the Seal of the City of Raton to be affixed this 9th day of April, 2024.

ATTEST:


Desire'e Trujillo, City Clerk

CITY OF RATON


James Neil Segotta, Jr., Mayor

