

**OFFICE OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS the National Day of Hope on April 2 serves to enhance public awareness on the problem of child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS approximately 3 million reports of suspected or known child abuse and neglect reports are made to child protective services each year; and

WHEREAS the actual incidence of abuse and neglect is estimated to be three times greater than the number of reported to authorities and more than four children die each day as a result of abuse in the home; and

WHEREAS 588,000 American children are unable to live safely with their families and are placed in foster homes and institutions; and

WHEREAS the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services received reports of over 110,000 cases of abuse and neglect in 2006; and

WHEREAS the Hanover Township Mental Health Board promotes services for survivors of abuse through funding of support agencies, and is committed to preventing abuse through education and community action and promoting equality, safety, and respect among all individuals; and

WHEREAS the Youth and Family Service department of Hanover Township exists in part to provide outreach services to youth in our communities to create positive familial environments;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the, Hanover Township Board of the Township of Hanover, Cook County, Illinois do hereby proclaim April 2008, Child Abuse Prevention Month in Hanover Township, and urge all citizens and communities to participate fully in activities and events to observe Child Abuse Prevention Month.

DATED: April 8, 2008

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE TOWNSHIP TO BE AFFIXED HERETO.

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