

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. ____

By Senators Pettey and Taylor

A RESOLUTION recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

WHEREAS, Children are key to the state's future success, prosperity and quality of life. While children are our most valuable resource, they are also our most vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, Children have a right to be safe and to be provided with an opportunity to thrive, learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect can be prevented by supporting and strengthening Kansas families, which can help provide children with the opportunities to develop healthy, trusting familial bonds; and

WHEREAS, Preventing child abuse means also preventing its far-reaching effects, which results in stronger foundations for our communities; and

WHEREAS, Since it is our duty as a community to extend a helping hand to children and families in need, we must come together, as partners, to make the voices of our children heard by all; and

WHEREAS, By providing safe, stable and nurturing relationships for our children, free of violence, abuse and neglect, we can ensure that Kansas children will grow to reach their full potential as our next generation of leaders and, thus, help secure the future of this state and of the nation: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we recognize April as Child Abuse Prevention Month; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Pettey and Senator Taylor.