

# PROCLAMATION

## City of Charlotte/Mecklenburg County

**WHEREAS**, children are vital to our state'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 and, knowledge of parenting and child development and concrete resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children to ensure all children grow up to their full potential; and

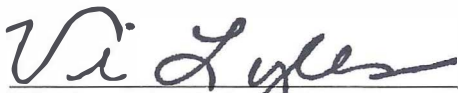
**WHEREAS**, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, healthcare providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community:

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE**, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, and Ella B. Scarborough, Chair of the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim, April 2018 as

### **"CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH"**

in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and commend its observance to all citizens.

**WITNESS OUR HANDS** and the official Seals of the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.



Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor  
City of Charlotte



Ella B. Scarborough, Chair  
Mecklenburg Board of  
County Commissioners

