



**WHEREAS**, children thrive in safe, stable, and nurturing environments, though unfortunately, maltreatment is all too often significant problem; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of April is recognized as a time to spread awareness and advocate for children and families victimized by child abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, child abuse affects children from every background, prevention is the shared responsibility of all community members; and

**WHEREAS**, among those working tirelessly to protect children, the Children’s Advocacy Center of Collin County (CACCC) read and assessed nearly eight thousand reports of abuse from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services last year; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the commitment to ending abuse, the CACCC will host a gala on Saturday, April 11 in Frisco, Texas, and will partner with the Frisco Rough Riders baseball team on Friday, April 24, to “Blue Out Riders Field” for hope, healing, and protecting children from abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, Sunday, April 26, is Blue Sunday, a National Day of Prayer for abused children; and

**WHEREAS**, through the work of advocacy and raising awareness, may victims be aided and child abuse be erased from all communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL COX, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 2026 TO BE**

## **CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

**IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, THIS 7TH DAY OF APRIL 2026.**

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
BILL COX, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary

**City of McKinney, Collin County, Texas**