

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 224
By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to designate April as Child Abuse Prevention
Month.

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a societal problem that effects nearly every community within our state and this nation; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect includes physical, sexual and emotional abuse and physical neglect and the number of children who are abused or neglected increases each year; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to recognize the problem of child abuse and the lasting effects on our state's most precious resources—our children; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of community and state leadership to raise awareness of child abuse and neglect and establish prevention and support mechanisms for children and parents to stop the cycle of abuse that destroys the lives of those affected; and

WHEREAS, we designate April as Child Abuse Prevention Month to raise awareness of child abuse and to encourage communities throughout our state to create partnerships among social service agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community and to become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL A

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ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CONCURRING, That the General Assembly designate April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.