IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION proclaiming April 2014 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Jackson County.

RESOLUTION NO. 18455, April 1, 2014

INTRODUCED BY Crystal Williams, Theresa Garza Ruiz, Scott Burnett, and Dan Tarwater, County Legislators

WHEREAS, April 2014 is known throughout the United States as National Child Abuse Prevention Month; and,

WHEREAS, four out of every 100 children living in Jackson County are neglected and/or abused; and,

WHEREAS, research shows that when parents are nurturing and attached to their children and have parental resilience, social connections, community support, and emotional well-being, then they can reduce the risk for neglect and abuse of children; and,

WHEREAS, Cornerstones of Care, a family of agencies dedicated to helping children and their families achieve health and happiness, encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making Kansas City a better place for children; and,

WHEREAS, Cornerstones of Care encourages all citizens to help families gain the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to care for their children; and,

WHEREAS, our community is urged to promote children's social and emotional well-being and prevent child maltreatment within families and communities; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature proclaims April 2014 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Jackson County, and calls upon all citizens to promote the social and emotional well-being of children living in our community.

Date

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a