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Resolution 2011-04-01

Sexual Assault Awareness and Child Abuse Prevention Resolution
April, 2011

WHEREAS, the public cares deeply about the welfare and lives of our children and a majority report that child abuse is a very important moral issue for them;

WHEREAS, domestic violence in the presence of a child is deemed to create an injurious environment for children by placing them at risk for actual physical injury or at risk for serious emotional disturbance;

WHEREAS, sexual abuse, molestation, and assault include a range of behaviors all of which pose a threat to the health and welfare of our children and our adults;

WHEREAS, we recognize our children are impacted by other violent, abusive, frightening behaviors such as bullying, abuse of authority or position and random violent crime;

WHEREAS, research has identified that witnessing or experiencing traumatic violence and abuse impacts children's brain development and function and our children's capacity for emotional growth, good health, and resilience is directly linked to their life experiences;

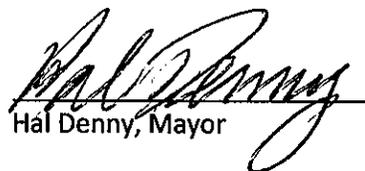
WHEREAS, preventing child abuse and neglect and domestic and sexual violence is a community problem, that depends on involvement among all people throughout the community;

WHEREAS, April is nationally proclaimed Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Child Abuse Prevention Month;

WE HEREBY RESOLVE to support the Outer Banks Hotline's campaign to build resilience and change the impact of violence on children beginning April 2011 through year end and declare that we unite with the nation in proclaiming April Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Adopted this 5th day of April 2011.

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ATTEST: Carrie Gordin
Carrie Gordin, Town Clerk


Hal Denny, Mayor