

**LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2020-23

**RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020 AS
“CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH” IN LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a complex and ongoing problem in our society, affecting many children in Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, nurtured, feel secure and be free from verbal, sexual, emotional and physical abuse, and neglect; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect not only directly harm children, but also increase the likelihood of criminal behavior, substance abuse, health problems, and risky behavior; and

WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse are felt by communities as a whole, and need to be addressed by the entire community; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, Sussex County, New Jersey does hereby proclaim the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month and calls upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the community in which we live.

CERTIFICATION

Certified as a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lafayette Township Committee, Sussex County, New Jersey at a meeting held on April 7, 2020.

Anna Rose Fedish, RMC
Municipal Clerk