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Title: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend A Child's Place at Mercy and their experienced staff for their commitment to abolishing child abuse and hereby declares the month of April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month"; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, April 6, 2010, to be "A Child's Place" in the City of Pittsburgh.

Sponsors: Theresa Kail-Smith, All Members

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WHEREAS, an estimated 906,000 children are victims of abuse and neglect every year in the United States alone leaving scars in a child's life that can be long lasting and can often lead to future child abuse; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Mary Carrasco leads a highly experienced team at *A Child's Place at Mercy* which is a fully accredited Allegheny County Child Advocacy Center of the National Children's Alliance; and,

WHEREAS, with more than 75 years of combined experience, *A Child's Place at Mercy* focuses on providing care to children who are suspected of having been sexually, physically or emotionally abused, neglected or have had inappropriate internet contact all of which is determined through a process known as a "forensic interview"; and,

WHEREAS, since 1988, *A Child's Place at Mercy* has maintained an open-door policy which has helped to serve over 25,000 children and helped to see an estimated 800 children annually; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to serving children, A Child's Place takes a proactive stance by providing training to community organizations and professionals such as police officers, probation and parole officers, teachers and school staff; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend *A Child's Place at Mercy* and their experienced staff for their commitment to abolishing child abuse and hereby declares the month of April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month"; and,

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6, 2010, to be "*A Child's Place*" in the City of Pittsburgh.