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4 HJR\_\_\_\_\_ COMMENDING ST. CLAIR CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER, THE  
5 CHILDREN'S PLACE, AND RECOGNIZING APRIL 2023 AS CHILD ABUSE  
6 PREVENTION MONTH.

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8 WHEREAS, children are vital to our state's future  
9 success, prosperity, and quality of life as well as being  
10 our most vulnerable citizens; and

11 WHEREAS, all children deserve to have the safe,  
12 stable, nurturing homes and communities they need to foster  
13 their healthy growth and development; and

14 WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a community  
15 responsibility affecting both the current and future quality  
16 of life of a community; and

17 WHEREAS, communities that provide parents with the  
18 social support, knowledge of parenting, child development,  
19 and the concrete resources they need to cope with stress and  
20 nurture their children, ensure all children grow to their  
21 full potential; and

22 WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention strategies  
23 succeed because of partnerships created among citizens,  
24 human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health  
25 care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement  
26 agencies, and the business community; and

27 WHEREAS, since 1993, the St. Clair Children's  
28 Advocacy Center has been an asset to our community for 30

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29 years, providing resources and training, fostering family  
30 development, and enhancing family functioning by  
31 coordinating services for children and families involved in  
32 child abuse; now therefore,

33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
34 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we commend The Children's  
35 Place in Pell City, Alabama, for 30 years of service to the  
36 children and families of St. Clair County and recognize the  
37 month of April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the  
38 State of Alabama.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we call upon all  
40 citizens, community agencies, faith groups, elected leaders,  
41 and businesses to continue their support of The Children's  
42 Place and their efforts to prevent child abuse.