

**PROCLAMATION**

09-01

Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month  
Child Abuse Awareness Blue Day

Issued by the Board of Franklin County Commissioners

WHEREAS, Franklin County , Kansas prides itself on giving back to the community and contributing to the quality of life among our citizens; and

WHEREAS, CASA of the Fourth Judicial District and its volunteers represent and advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children who are involved in the juvenile courts; and

WHEREAS, there are many children in Franklin County who suffer some form of abuse or neglect each year; and

WHEREAS, through a national effort, members of the Franklin County community are encouraged to join together in the month of April to raise awareness for these children who are victims of abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, Specifically, April 22<sup>nd</sup> shall be recognized as “Blue Day” in our community, where individuals may give support to the aforementioned children by dressing in the signature color blue in recognition of Child Abuse Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, This effort and promoting awareness of the neglect and abuse, will give abused and neglected children in our community, and around the country, a chance for a safe and positive future; and

NOW, the Board of Franklin County Commissioners, of Franklin County on behalf of its citizens, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2009 as

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH**  
and **APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> AS CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS BLUE DAY**

THEREFORE, in support of CASA of the Fourth Judicial District, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners urge all citizens of Franklin County to participate in efforts to raise public awareness and help prevent child abuse and neglect.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009

/s/ John E Taylor  
John E. Taylor, Chairman

Attested and Recorded, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009

/s/ Shari Perry  
Shari Perry, County Clerk