

# City of Birmingham

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** Strong family relationships constitute the foundation of our community. Alienating behaviors are frequently seen in high-conflict divorces, separations and asymmetrical custody arrangements but can occur in intact marriages; and

**WHEREAS,** Parental Alienation is a term used to describe any number of behaviors and attitudes on the part of one parent, both parents, or third party designed to interfere, damage or destroy the relationship a child has with their other parent. It's a form of abuse that causes emotional trauma to children; and

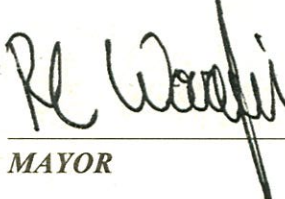
**WHEREAS,** To bring awareness to this issue, Parental Alienation Prevention Week in April was created to help Alabamians, institutions, the legal and mental health community and leaders to better identify and combat parental alienation and to show how shared parenting can benefit children; and

**WHEREAS,** in honor of Parental Alienation Prevention Week, the Alabama Family Rights Association is asking the public to show its support for the group by embracing its "Bubbles For Love" campaign. Such efforts will help represent the love children have and the love children should be allowed to share with both parents without fear or guilt.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RANDALL L. WOODFIN,** Mayor of the City of Birmingham, do hereby proclaim April 21 through April 27, 2019, as **PARENTAL ALIENATION PREVENTION WEEK** and April 25, 2019, as **PARENTAL ALIENATION AWARENESS "Bubbles For Love" DAY** and encourage all citizens to help bring awareness to this issue and commit to ensuring our children have a better and brighter future.



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Birmingham, Alabama to be affixed this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

  
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MAYOR