## RESOLUTION 2015-03-03-650

## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARENTAL ALIENATION WEEK

WHEREAS; strong family relationships constitute the foundation of our community, and;

WHEREAS; alienating behaviors are frequently seen in high-conflict divorces, separations, and asymmetrical custody arrangements, and;

WHEREAS: parental alienation deprives children of their right to freely love and be loved by both parents, their extended family, and robs children of their sense of security, and;

WHEREAS; the negative effects of parental alienation can follow a child into adulthood with tragic consequences, and;

WHEREAS; approximately 40,000 children in the State of Alabama were subjected to child custody determination in 2013, and;

WHEREAS; Parental Alienation Prevention Week is intended to increase the knowledge and understanding of this for Alabamians, and;

WHEREAS, the Safety, Health and Welfare of the citizens of Westover, Alabama is the primary concern of the Mayor and Council of the City of Westover, Alabama;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Westover, Shelby County, Alabama, as follows:

- To call upon and request all the citizens of the City of Westover, Alabama to join with the Mayor and Council to recognize April 19 through April 25<sup>th</sup> as Parental Alienation Prevention Week.
- 2. That all resolutions or any parts of resolutions in conflict herewith or to the extent of such conflict are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED and APPROVED this	3Pday of Morch	, 2015.
Mark McLaughlin, Mayor	_	
Wayne Jones		
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