

Proclamation

City of Davenport

WHEREAS, alienating behaviors are often found in high conflict divorce and custody situations often causing mental and emotional anguish to children; and

WHEREAS, parental alienation takes advantage of the suggestibility and dependency of children; and

WHEREAS, parental alienation deprives children of their right to love and be loved by both parents; and

WHEREAS, parental alienation is considered harmful to children as the alienating tactics used on the children are confusing, frightening and rob children of their sense of security; and

WHEREAS, professionals agree that the problem of parental alienation is damaging to children and can affect them into adulthood with tragic consequences; and

WHEREAS, behaviors such as speaking negatively about a parent to or in front of a child can destroy the bond between a loving parent and a child; and

WHEREAS, with awareness comes education, understanding, and the power to stop the abuse of innocent children caught in the crossfire of the people they love. As society becomes increasingly aware and educated about the problem, more people can help deal with it; and

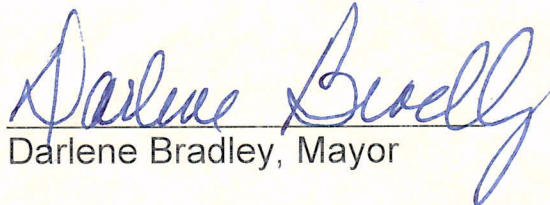
WHEREAS, Parental Alienation Awareness Day is intended to increase the knowledge and understanding of this problem to help parents and caregivers better raise their children; and

WHEREAS, April 25, 2015, is Parental Alienation Awareness Day and for 10 minutes at 12:00 noon, the caring citizens of our community will gather together at the Rite Club during the Music & Awareness Festival, joining others around the world to show their support in spreading the simple message of love for all children.

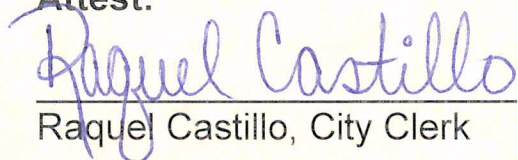
NOW, THEREFORE, we, the City Commission of the City of Davenport do hereby urge all families to take this time to unite, honor and celebrate, and do hereby proclaim April, 2015 as:

Parental Alienation Awareness Month

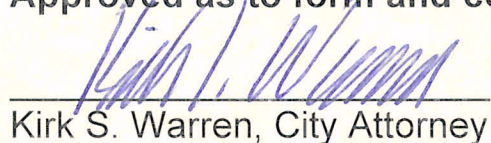
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of March, 2015.


Darlene Bradley, Mayor

Attest:


Raquel Castillo, City Clerk

Approved as to form and content:


Kirk S. Warren, City Attorney

