

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, children are key to our state and our community's future success, prosperity and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, children have a right to thrive, learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have a loving, nurturing and safe home; and

WHEREAS, foster parents provide the care, security and stability for children and teens in foster care whose parents need time to learn new skills to become the parents their kids need them to be; and

WHEREAS, approximately 8,000 children across the state of Wisconsin are currently in out-of-home care; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is experiencing a shortage of foster families and is in need of families willing to care for teens, children with behavioral and mental health needs, children with medical fragile conditions and sibling groups; and

WHEREAS, we must recognize the important role foster parents play in caring for children who have experienced abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, we must recognize the important role foster parents play in supporting family reunification and building strong communities; and

WHEREAS, we all play a role in ensuring all children throughout the Fox Cities and across Wisconsin are healthy and safe, and are able to reach their full potential,


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, TIMOTHY M. HANNA, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 2019, as

Foster Care Month

in Appleton and encourage all our citizens to take time to help children and youth in foster care, and to recognize the commitment of those who touch their lives, particularly celebrating their foster parents and other caregivers.

Signed and sealed this 1st day of June, 2019.




TIMOTHY M. HANNA
MAYOR OF APPLETON