

RESOLUTION

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® National Missing Children's Day

Whereas, according to the U.S. Department of Justice, in one year there were an estimated nearly 800,000 children missing; and

Whereas, on average, there is an estimated average of 2,200 children reported missing to law enforcement agencies daily; and

Whereas, 58,200 of these children are victims of non-family abductions and more than 200,000 are the victims of family abductions; and

Whereas, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) exists as a resource to help prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation; help find missing children; and assist victims of child abduction and sexual exploitation, their families, and the professionals who serve them. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's recovery rate has grown from 62% in 1990 to 96% of domestically missing children, but too many children still remain among the missing; and

Whereas, this special day is a time to remember those children who are missing and give hope to their families.

Now therefore be it resolved that, in partnership with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and its collaborative organizations, [city/county/state] proclaims May 25 as National Missing Children's Day.

Therefore, be it further resolved that [city/county/state] urges the participation of local government, law enforcement, schools, community-based organizations, and families in the protection and education of all individuals about child abduction and sexual exploitation, appropriate protective measures, and ways to respond and seek help from law enforcement, social services, and the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

Therefore, be it further resolved that [city/county/state] encourages all individuals to Take 25 minutes to help children stay safer.

Therefore, be it resolved by [city/county/state]:

That May 25, [YEAR], is set aside as National Missing Children's Day as part of [city/county/state]'s continuing efforts to prevent the abduction and sexual exploitation of children.