WHEREAS, more than 6,511 children in Tarrant County were confirmed as victims of child abuse or neglect in 2021; and,

**WHEREAS,** Alliance For Children provided trauma-informed services to 2,497 children in 2021; which includes children in the Mansfield and Arlington communities; and,

**WHEREAS,** since finding solutions and preventing child abuse is a community responsibility, Alliance For Children continues to provide prevention education to more adults and children in Tarrant County; and,

**WHEREAS,** effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community; and,

**WHEREAS,** the City of Mansfield is grateful to the Alliance For Children for its 20plus years serving as Tarrant County's children's advocacy center;

**NOW THEREFORE,** I, Michael Evans, Mayor of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council, to hereby proclaim April 2022

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in Mansfield and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.