

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS, the most precious and valuable asset of our state is our children, and the future of our society depends largely on the emotional, social, physical, and intellectual growth of these most cherished individuals; and
- WHEREAS, we look to the parents to protect and guide their children, and inspire in them the importance of honesty, respect, education empathy, service, and determination; and
- WHEREAS, parents who nurture, love, and guide their children help them develop into healthy, caring, loving, responsible, and contributing citizens; and
- WHEREAS, informed parenting adds stability and strength to the lives of children and helps reduce social and behavioral problems leading to child neglect, teen and non-marital pregnancy, school drop out, and alcohol, tobacco, and drug misuse, violence and crime; and
- WHEREAS, providing and promoting responsible parenting skills through education, mentoring, and resources will greatly contribute to improved quality of life and will benefit future generations throughout the city of Gary and the entire state; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim April 2008 as

PARENTING AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 15th
day of March in the year of our
Lord 2008 and of the Independence
of the United States 231.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

M E Daniels, Jr.