



Gary Richard Herbert

Governor

Declaration

Whereas, strong, healthy, and happy families are the foundation of society;

Whereas, we depend on families to protect us and provide for our needs from the time we are born;

Whereas, our first relationships are formed with our family members – who also create the environment where we gain values and morals;

Whereas, mothers and fathers are often the most powerful support system for children;

Whereas, research shows that we can reduce the likelihood of child abuse and neglect by increasing protective factors such as providing parents with support in times of need, enhancing parental resilience, providing options for social connections, facilitating community knowledge of parenting and child development, and supporting the development and well-being of children; and,

Whereas, the Utah Association of Family Support Centers serves as a critical resource for families during times of high stress, emergency or crisis by offering support, crisis/respite nurseries, and education;

Now, therefore, I, Gary R. Herbert, Governor of the great State of Utah, do hereby declare the weeks of May 13th-June 17th, 2018, as

Family Month in Utah

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary R. Herbert".

Gary R. Herbert
Governor