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## Resolution 11-08

### CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL FLAG DAY

April 22, 2011

WHEREAS, the Child Welfare League of America has promoted the Children's Memorial Flag as a way of memorializing the thousands of children and teenagers in the United State who die violently each year; and

WHEREAS, each year numerous government agencies become involved in an impressive bipartisan effort, flying the flag or arranging for related events to memorialize children; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Memorial Flag has become a recognizable symbol of the need to do a better job of protecting children; and

WHEREAS, the response of the public has been overwhelmingly positive as the program progresses each year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 3 million children are reported abused and neglected in the country each year; and

WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and need to be addressed by the entire community; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community, and

WHEREAS, all citizens should become more aware of the negative effects of child abuse and its prevention within their communities, and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners of Chippewa County, Michigan, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 22, 2011, as CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL FLAG DAY in Chippewa County, Michigan, and urge all citizens to memorialize the thousands of children across the country who die violently each year. We call upon all citizens

to increase their participation in efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

April 22, 2011

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Scott Shackleton, Chairperson