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COMMAND PROCLAMATION

“IT’S NO SECRET; EVERYONE CAN HELP KEEP ARMY CHILDREN SAFE AND HEALTHY.”

SUBJECT: Army Child Abuse Prevention Month – April 2012

The Army Family Advocacy Program (FAP) preventive education initiatives provide Soldiers, DA Civilians, and Family members information about child abuse and its harmful effects on Army Families and the Army mission. FAP is an essential resource at engaging in long standing prevention efforts positively affecting the Army and civilian community.

The theme for Army Child Abuse Prevention Month is **“It’s no secret...everyone can help. Keep Army Children Safe and Healthy.”** As commander of this garrison it is my goal to ensure that happens. April is also designated as the Month of the Military Child and what better way to honor children in military Families than to keep them safe and provide for their health and well being. Everyone needs to know the safety and health of Army children rests in all of our hands.

Child abuse is no secret. We still need to build and maintain awareness. When homes and communities take care of their children, the whole community becomes a healthier place.

FAP’s successful prevention campaign asks that everyone:

- **“Recognize”** signs of distress that can lead to abuse and take action,
- **“Rethink”** wellness and ways to stay healthy,
- **“Reach Out”** for professional help, and
- **“Report”** child abuse and neglect.

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