



National Parent Leadership Month® - 2011

Preamble:

Parents across the nation are working in partnership with practitioners and policymakers to create positive changes in their lives, the lives of their children and the lives of other families. They are doing this quietly and effectively and it is important to honor these parents.

- WHEREAS, meaningful Parent Leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a “parent voice” to help strengthen families, create effective programs and contribute to the wellbeing of their communities: and
- WHEREAS, a parent leader may be a parent, grandparent, foster parent, or anyone else in a parenting role who speaks or acts from his or her perspective as a parent to effect change: and
- WHEREAS, Circle of Parents recognizes the vital importance of partnering with parents and assists public systems and private organizations, policymakers and other key stakeholders to effectively implement Parent Leadership strategies: and
- WHEREAS, parents have the power to speak and act publicly to ensure policies and institutions respond to their experiences and build capacity for communities to create equal opportunities for all families: and
- WHEREAS, Parent Leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families and preventing child abuse and neglect; and
- WHEREAS, National Parent Leadership Month recognizes, honors and celebrates parents for the vital leadership roles in their homes and communities and local, state, national and international arenas; now therefore be it

Resolved that I/we, _____

(Name and title)

of _____

(Town, City, County, or State)

do hereby declare February 2011 as ***National Parent Leadership Month.***

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