



State of New York

Executive Chamber

Proclamation

Whereas, New York State is committed to ensuring the safety, health, and well-being of our children, our greatest hope and promise for the future; and

Whereas, parents have the most critical role in the development of their child, and an obligation to provide a safe, happy, loving, and secure environment in which their children can grow and flourish; and

Whereas, parents have an obligation to support their children, financially and emotionally, throughout their lives; and

Whereas, studies have shown that when both parents provide financial and emotional support, children are less likely to engage in unhealthy and unproductive behaviors, and more likely to do well in school and succeed later in life; and

Whereas, in difficult economic times, New York State's Child Support Enforcement Program continues to play a vital role in assisting parents in achieving and maintaining economic security for their children;

Now, Therefore, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim August 2011 as

CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH

in the Empire State.

Given under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State
at Capitol in the City of Albany this twenty-eighth
day of July in the year two thousand eleven.



Governor

Secretary to the Governor