FIRST REGULAR SESSION

[TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]

HOUSE BILL NO. 749

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapters 9 and 10, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to child abuse prevention.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapters 9 and 10, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 9.173 and 10.185, to read as follows:

9.173. The month of April is hereby designated as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in the state of Missouri. The citizens of this state are encouraged to observe the month with appropriate activities and events to increase awareness of the prevalence and warning signs of child abuse and the prevention methods and measures available to reduce the incidence of child abuse in this state.

10.185. The "blue ribbon" is hereby recognized as the official state symbol for child abuse prevention in the state of Missouri.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[**thus**]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.