

**PROCLAMATION
PARENTING AWARENESS MONTH
MARCH 2015**

WHEREAS, March is Parenting Awareness Month in the State of Michigan and Parenting Awareness Month celebrates people who are raising children; and

WHEREAS, Parenting Awareness Month seeks to draw public attention to the critical importance of parenting in helping children to become healthy, caring, and contributing citizens; and

WHEREAS, Parenting Awareness Month seeks to promote education and resources for developing parenting skills throughout the year, encourages the development of local parent networks and encourages everyone to participate in the lives of all of our children; and

WHEREAS, Troy Youth Assistance, a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization is committed to strengthening youth and families by preventing and reducing juvenile delinquency, child neglect, and child abuse through community involvement; and

WHEREAS, Troy Youth Assistance provides classes and programs such as Active Parenting Now; Healthy Teen Relationships; Parenting with Boundaries; Parenting Café; Trends, Friends & Fatal Ends; and Teenage Sex: At What Price; and

WHEREAS, Troy Youth Assistance actively participates in the lives of our community's families through their workshops, classes, camp scholarships, Mentors Plus program, Youth Recognition Awards and a number of programs

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy hereby proclaim the **Month of March 2015 as Parent Awareness Month; and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we invite all Troy residents to recognize and celebrate the vital role **Troy Youth Assistance** plays in our community and we support all their efforts and resources that promote, encourage, support and educate the community on parenting issues.

Presented this 9th day of March 2015.