

County of Luzerne

PENNSYLVANIA



Resolution

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the week of June 7-11, 2021 has been proclaimed as Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week by Governor Wolf, recognizing the efforts of child welfare professionals serving the children of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the challenging task of investigating child abuse, assessing safety and providing services to families to ensure that the children of Luzerne County remain safely in their home or return home expeditiously as possible, made more challenging by the global pandemic, falls to the child welfare professionals of Luzerne County's child welfare system; and

WHEREAS, Child Welfare Professionals work in difficult and emotional situations with children who have been victimized by physical/sexual abuse, neglect and other forms of maltreatment and must develop great skill in working with these families who are in crisis situations. They put the well-being of the children they serve above their own safety on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the staff of Luzerne County Children & Youth Services selflessly undertake the endeavors to protect Pennsylvania's children, often with low pay, long hours, tremendous demands, little appreciation, great criticism and with dramatic impacts on their personal lives.

NOW THEREFORE, WE, the Luzerne County Council do hereby proclaim June 7-11, 2021 to be declared **Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week in Luzerne County** in honor of the women and men whose diligence and professionalism keep the children and youth of our county safe.

Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week

June 7-11, 2021

Attest:

Luzerne County Council Chair