

TOWN OF STRATHAM

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Department of Justice, an estimated 800,000 children are reported missing each year; and

WHEREAS, on average, approximately 2,000 children are reported missing to law-enforcement agencies daily and approximately 58,200 of these children are victims of non-family abductions and more than 200,000 are the victims of family abductions; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) exists as a resource to help prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation, help find missing children, and assist victims of child abduction and sexual exploitation, their families, and the professionals who serve them, and

WHEREAS, this special day is a time to remember those children who are missing and give hope to their families.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, in partnership with NCMEC and its supporters, the Town of Stratham proclaims May 25 as National Missing Children's Day.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Stratham urges the participation of local government, law enforcement, and communities in the protection of children and educating children about child abduction and sexual exploitation, and how to respond and seek help from law enforcement, social services, and NCMEC.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Stratham encourages all individuals to take 25 minutes to help children stay safer.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town of Stratham: That May 25, 2013, is set aside as:

"National Missing Children's Day"

as part of the Town of Stratham's continuing efforts to prevent the abduction and sexual exploitation of children.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have given under our hands and caused the official seal of the Town of Stratham to be affixed hereto on this 1st day of April, 2013.

Town of Stratham

By Its Selectmen

David Canada, Chair

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