# Proclamation

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## Commonwealth of Kentucky



### To . Ul To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS. Parental Alienation Syndrome (PAS) is a psychological condition most often observed in children affected by a high conflict divorce and/or separation; and

WHEREAS. The most common symptom of children affected by PAS is their severe opposition to contact with one parent and/or overt hatred toward such parent when there is little and often, no logical reason to explain the child's behavior; and

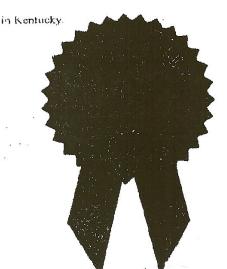
WHEREAS. The effects of PAS can last well into adulthood and may last for a lifetime with tragic consequences; and

WHEREAS, Professionals agree that the problem of PAS exists and it's damaging to children, and can affect them into adulthood; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, more than 2.4 million North Americans obtained divorces, including the parents of more than one million children under the age of eighteen, with nearly as many unmarried couples with children separating:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ERNIE FLETCHER, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim April 25, 2007, as

#### PARENTAL ALIENATION AWARENESS DAY



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seven and in the 215<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

COVERNOR

Trey Grayson Secretary of State