

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, lead poisoning is the #1 environmental health threat facing children under six today, affecting one in three children in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Burlington's housing stock is some of the oldest in the nation, and 80% of homes contain lead-based paint hazards; and

WHEREAS, lead poisoning causes developmental delays, physical and learning disabilities, and behavioral problems in children; and

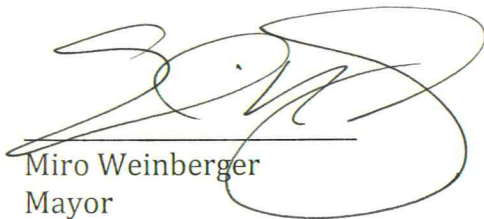
WHEREAS, lead poisoning is preventable, and it is important that Burlington families understand how they can protect their children from the hazards of lead-based paint; and

WHEREAS, the Burlington Lead Program, a part of the City's Community and Economic Development Office, is here to help and has been working to protect families from the dangers of lead poisoning for the past ten years;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Miro Weinberger, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby proclaim the week of October 20-26, 2013 to be

LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK

and urge all families with young children to have them tested for lead poisoning and to contact the Burlington Lead Program for more information about protecting their children from the dangers of lead-based paint.


Miro Weinberger
Mayor

