



## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

**E-2**

For the meeting of: April 4, 2017

Date: March 8, 2017  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Supervisor Ryan Sundberg  
Subject: Proclaim April 2017 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

RECOMMENDATION(S): Adopt the Proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

DISCUSSION: The Board of Supervisors has been asked to proclaim April 2017 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month to recognize the staff and volunteers and the work they do in our community to end sexualized violence.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation.

Prepared by Tracy Damico

Signature

*Ryan Sundberg*

REVIEW:

Auditor

County Counsel

Personnel

Risk Manager

Other

TYPE OF ITEM:

☐ Consent

☐ Departmental

☐ Public Hearing

☒ Other ☐ Special

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting of: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

Upon motion of Supervisor *Fennell* Seconded by Supervisor *Wilson*

Ayes *Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Wilson*

Nays

Abstain

Absent *Bohn*

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: *Apr. 4, 2017*

By:

*Kathy Hayes*  
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

# **Proclamation**

## **of the**

### **Board of Supervisors**

### **County of Humboldt**

**WHEREAS, sexualized violence affects children, youth, adults and elders of all genders from all racial, cultural and economic backgrounds with public health and social justice implications for every person in Humboldt County; and**

**WHEREAS, it is estimated that 1 in 3 girls and 1 in 7 boys will be sexually victimized by age 18; and**

**WHEREAS, sex trafficking and exploitation happens in our county, disproportionately impacting the lives of youth/young adults in our community; and**

**WHEREAS, survivors are often blamed while perpetrators are excused, leading to a lack of justice and a continuation of violence; and**

**WHEREAS, staff and volunteers of the North Coast Rape Crisis Team provide 24-hour services to survivors and their significant others to support those impacted and ensure survivors are not re-victimized; and**

**WHEREAS, promotion of best-practice responses is accomplished through multidisciplinary teams such as the Sexual Assault Response Team and Child Abuse Services Team as well as partnership with governmental, Tribal and community-based organizations; and**

**WHEREAS, the North Coast Rape Crisis Team provides prevention education, self-defense and awareness-raising programs; encouraging every person to participate in ending sexualized violence and promoting social justice; and**

**WHEREAS, the North Coast Rape Crisis Team and Humboldt State University bystander intervention initiative, "*Check IT*," has received National acclaim with planned expansion of "*Check IT*" to local high schools;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors reaffirms its commitment to the North Coast Rape Crisis Team and its vision – "*A world without violence*" and acknowledges April, 2017, as SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH.**

**April 4, 2017**

*Virginia Bass*  
Virginia Bass, Chair

