

## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT



For the meeting of: April 3, 2018

Date: March 23, 2018

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Virginia Bass

Subject: Proclaim April 2018 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors adopt the proclamation.

## SOURCE OF FUNDING:

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The Board of Supervisors has been asked to proclaim April 2018 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.

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REVIEW:			
Auditor	County Counsel	Personnel	Risk Manager Other
TYPE OF ITEM: XX Consent Departmental Public Hearing Other PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL: Board Order No			BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT Upon motion of Supervisor W; /son Seconded by Supervisor Bass Ayes Bass, Fennell, Sundberg, Bohn, w: /son Nays Abstain Absent
Meeting of:			and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report. Dated: <u>4/3/(8</u> By: 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

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

WHEREAS, the "Me Too" movement has raised public awareness and given voice to survivors; 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 as well as partnership with governmental, Tribal and community-based organizations; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors affirms its commitment to the North Coast Rape Crisis Team and its vision – "A world without violence" and acknowledges April, 2018, as SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS and CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH.

Ryan Sundberg, Chair

April 3, 2018