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Legislation Text

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: County Executive Office

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SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation declaring April 2023 as "Sexual Assault

Awareness Month" in Napa County

RECOMMENDATION

Presentation of a Proclamation to Tracy Lamb, Executive Director of NEWS Domestic Violence & Sexual Abuse Services, declaring April 2023, as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" in Napa County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

With presentation of a proclamation declaring April 2023 "Sexual Assault Awareness Month", and with this year's national campaign, "Drawing Connections: Prevention Demands Equity," Napa County will increase public awareness about sexual violence prevention, educate the public about harmful attitudes and actions, and show support for survivors. The Proclamation calls on members of our community, organizations, and institutions to change ourselves and the systems we use, to build racial equity and respect.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center first launched the Sexual Assault Awareness Month campaign in 2001, and in 2009 the Obama Administration officially recognized April as National Sexual Assault Awareness Month, enshrining our Country's commitment to promoting education of sexual violence, promoting consent, ending victim-blaming, and showing support for victims and survivors. Sexual Assault Awareness Month is about promoting safety, respect and equality, and standing up and speaking out against harmful cultural norms and attitudes that allow sexual violence to persist.

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