## The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2020/266

2020 Domestic Violence Awareness Month

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a prevalent social problem significantly impacting the health and well-being of Contra Costa residents; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people, but cross all economic, racial, sexual orientation and social barriers and are supported by societal indifference; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide-ranging, directly affecting women, men, all genders and ages, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, it is the survivors of domestic violence themselves who have been at the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home; and

WHEREAS, all residents of Contra Costa County should feel safe in their homes, their schools, and their community; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Alliance to End Abuse works to interrupt the generational, traumatic and progressive cycle of violence by fostering partnerships, and numerous public and private agencies provide services and support to families and individuals experiencing domestic violence including county departments, law enforcement jurisdictions, advocacy organizations and community-based agencies; and

WHEREAS, the County works to raise awareness so individuals will become advocates, and will take action to prevent domestic violence in their communities. WHEREAS, "Contra Costa Says No More," a replication of the national "No More" public awareness campaign, encourages all residents to become part of the solution to end domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, STAND! for Families Free of Violence is committed to promoting safe and strong families, providing a complete spectrum of prevention, intervention, and treatment programs, while also enlisting the efforts of local residents, partners, and institutions, all of whom are striving to stop domestic violence and child abuse; and WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in nine female teens and one in 13 male teens reported experiencing sexual dating violence in the last year; and

WHEREAS, according to a Department of State Trafficking in Person Report, almost 70 percent of adult female survivors of human trafficking experienced domestic violence before they were trafficked.

that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaim OCTOBER, 2020 as DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH, and urges all residents to actively participate in the efforts to end domestic violence in our homes, in our schools, and in our communities.

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Chair, District II Supervisor

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District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: October 13, 2020

David J. Twa,