The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of proclaiming October, 2015 "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Contra Costa County

Resolution No. 2015/397

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 societal 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 men, women, and children, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, it is the survivors of domestic violence themselves who have been in 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 County's Zero Tolerance for Domestic Violence Initiative 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; and

WHEREAS, the County is launching "Contra Costa Says No More," a replication of the national "No More" public awareness campaign occurring in communities nationwide, encouraging all residents to become part of the solution to end domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the "Contra Costa Says No More" campaign focuses particularly on the role coaches and high school athletes can play in promoting healthy, respectful relationships on and off the field.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaim October, 2015 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Contra Costa County, and urges all residents to actively participate in the efforts to end domestic violence in our homes, in our schools, and in our communities.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 20th day of October, 2015.

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Chair,

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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 20, 2015

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By Standard L. Welly, Deputy