

The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of proclaiming April 2-8, 2017 as "National
Crime Victims' Rights Week"

Resolution No. 2017/99

WHEREAS, Americans are the victims of more than 20 million crimes each year, affecting individuals, and communities;
and

WHEREAS, providing victims with knowledge of their rights and available services further strengthens their ability to
recover by restoring a sense of self-empowerment; and

WHEREAS, a trauma-informed response to victims promotes healing and fosters strength in survivors; and

WHEREAS, unaddressed trauma from victimization weakens the resilience of victims and their communities, impeding
their ability to withstand future trauma; and

WHEREAS, victims who feel understood and supported are more likely to disclose their victimization, seek services and
participate in the justice process; and

WHEREAS, a multidisciplinary response, involving collaboration among victim service professionals, criminal justice
officials, legal professionals, medical and mental health providers, and community leaders is essential to reach and serve
all victims - especially those who are marginalized, have disabilities, or live in remote locations; and

WHEREAS, strengthening the multidisciplinary response - bringing diverse skills, perspectives, and understandings
together in the service of victims - also serves to build the resilience of those responders, by strengthening the confidence
in their roles, abilities, and sense of contribution; and

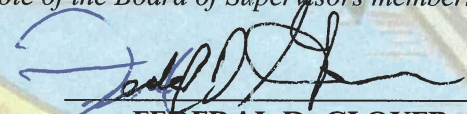
WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 2-8, 2017, provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that
all victims of crime - especially those who are challenging to reach or serve - are afforded their rights and receive a
trauma-informed response; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors is dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the
aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders, and working for justice for all
victims and survivors.

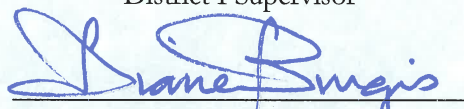
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaim
the week of April 2-8, 2017 as "Crime Victims' Rights Week" and reaffirm their commitment to creating a victim service
and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime; and to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation for
those community members, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving
our response to all victims of crime so that they may find relevant assistance, support, justice and peace.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors does hereby announce the 7th Annual "Crime Victims'
Rights Week" Recognition Ceremony to be hosted by the District Attorney on Friday, April 7, 2017 from 10:30 a.m. to
Noon at the Board of Supervisors' chambers located at 651 Pine Street, Martinez.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 21st day of March, 2017.


FEDERAL D. GLOVER
Chair,
District V Supervisor

ABSENT
JOHN GIOIA
District I Supervisor


DIANE BURGIS
District III Supervisor


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District II Supervisor

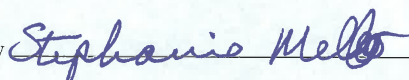

KAREN MITCHOFF
District IV Supervisor



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: March 21, 2017

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

By , Deputy