The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of proclaim October, 2019 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

Resolution No. 2019/583

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 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 occurring in communities nationwide, encourages all residents to become part of the solution to end domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 1 in 9 female teens and 1 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% of adult female survivors of human trafficking experienced domestic violence before they were trafficked.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaim October, 2019 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.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 8th day of October, 2019.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair.

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF

District IV Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS
District III Supervisor

FEDERAL D. GLOVER

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 8, 2019

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

By Stephanie Wello , Deput

