

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of recognizing Proclaiming April 2023 as
National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention
Month.

Resolution No. 2023/106

WHEREAS, sexual violence affects many Contra Costa County residents, whether as a victim or survivor, or as a family member, significant other, child, friend, coworker, or neighbor of a victim or survivor; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, Contra Costa County had 252 forcible rapes reported, with a rising number of adolescents affected; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, Community Violence Solutions (CVS) reported 1,283 calls to the Rape Crisis Center's crisis line, completed 203 sexual assault forensic exams, served 362 clients through its HOPE Therapy Services and conducted 498 interviews, via its Children's Interview Center; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County community volunteers are working together to provide quality services and assistance to sexual assault survivors, through 24-hour crisis hotlines that respond to emergency calls and offer support, provide comfort and advocacy during forensic exams, criminal proceedings and throughout the healing process; and


WHEREAS, Contra Costa County's Alliance to End Abuse strives to bring systems together in an effort to reduce interpersonal violence in our communities by fostering the development of collaborative services, supports, interventions and prevention activities; and

WHEREAS, CVS and its Rape Crisis Center, Sexual Assault Response Team, Children's Interview Center, Prevention Department, HOPE Therapy Services and Anti-Trafficking Project programs in Contra Costa County promote education by offering training to schools, churches, and civic organizations, as well as to medical, mental health, law enforcement, education, and criminal justice personnel regarding sexual assault issues; and


WHEREAS, the Alliance to End Abuse and CVS continue to work toward a society where all women, Children and men can live in peace, free from violence and exploitation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby join anti-sexual violence advocates and support service programs in the belief that all community members are part of the solution to end sexual violence, and thereby proclaim April 2023 as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 4th day of April 2023.



JOHN GIOIA
Chair,
District I Supervisor



CANDACE ANDERSEN
District II Supervisor



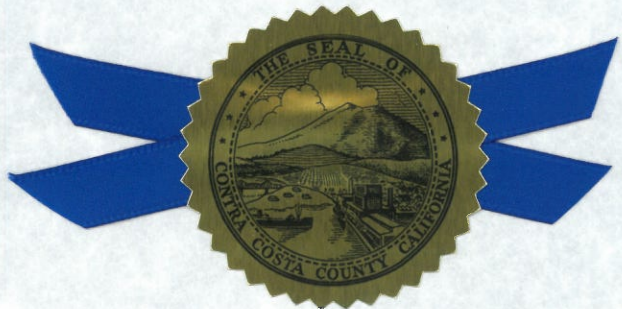
DIANE BURGIS
District III Supervisor

Absent

KEN CARLSON
District IV Supervisor

Absent

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: April 4, 2023

MONICA NINO, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By  _____, Deputy