

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46

A resolution by Supervisors Taylor (2), Johnson, Jr., Dimitrijevic, Staskunas, and Moore Omokunde, recognizing the month of April in 2017 and in each succeeding year, as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, sexual violence is widespread and impacts every community; and

WHEREAS, sexual assault is broadly defined as any form of unwanted sexual contact without consent through the use of force, threat of force, intimidation, or coercion; and

WHEREAS, the Rape Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization, reports that one out of every six American women, and one out of every 33 American men have been the victim of an attempted or completed rape in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention reports that one in six boys and one in four girls are sexually abused before age 18; and

WHEREAS, according to the Milwaukee Police Department, 436 sexual assault-related offenses were reported to law enforcement in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the impact of sexual violence is widespread and can have long-term effects on survivors' psychological, emotional, and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, access to informed and supportive services can greatly increase survivors' ability to heal from sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, in the State of Wisconsin and individual communities must be committed to hold sexual assault perpetrators accountable for their heinous crimes; and

WHEREAS, we must work together to educate our community about sexual violence prevention, supporting survivors, and speaking out against harmful attitudes and actions; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health on Health and Human Needs, at its meeting of March 15, 2017, recommended adoption of File No. 17-270 (vote 4-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors recognizes the month of April, in 2017, and in each succeeding year, as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Milwaukee County.

47
48 ars
49 03/15/17