

IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

_____ day _____, 2015

PRESENT: Supervisors
ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO.
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2015 AS “SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH”
IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month is intended to draw attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and has public health implications for every community member of San Luis Obispo County; and

WHEREAS, rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment impact our community as seen by statistics indicating that one in six women and one in thirty-three men will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, one in four women on college campuses will experience a sexual assault while pursuing higher education; and

WHEREAS, child sexual abuse prevention must be a priority to confront the reality that 44% of sexual assault survivors are under the age of 18; 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, staff and volunteers of RISE encourage every person to speak out when witnessing acts of violence, however small; and

WHEREAS, with leadership, dedication, and encouragement, there is compelling evidence that we can be successful in reducing sexual violence in San Luis Obispo County through prevention education, increased awareness, and holding perpetrators who commit acts of violence responsible for their actions; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Luis Obispo strongly supports the efforts of RISE, and of every citizen, to actively engage in public and private efforts, including conversations about what sexual violence is, how to prevent it, how to help survivors connect with services, how to Start by Believing when a loved one discloses an experience, and how every segment of our society can work together to better address sexual violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby proclaim April as “Sexual Assault Awareness Month”.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor

_____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: NOES:
ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

ATTEST:
Chairperson, Board of Supervisor

_____ Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk