

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**In the matter of: Proclaiming April 19-25,
2026, as *National Crime Victims' Rights
Week.***

Resolution No. 2026-111

WHEREAS, the term "victim" is more than just a label and has legal standing and protections that go along with it under Marsy's Law; and

WHEREAS, crime victims' rights acts passed here in California and at the federal level guarantee victims the right to meaningfully participate and use their voice in the criminal justice process; and

WHEREAS, crime affects individuals, families and communities in profound and varied ways, often leaving lasting physical, emotional and social challenges; and

WHEREAS, the right to provide an impact statement ensures that victims' voices are considered in court during the sentencing and, when applicable, restitution is ordered; and

WHEREAS, including and elevating the voices of survivors makes certain they are heard and seen and creates a path to forging and sustaining community trust; and

WHEREAS, engaging survivors creates responses and services that are credible, meaningful, and centered on individual needs; and

WHEREAS, the concept of protecting victims and serving communities underscores the need for victim centered processes and highlights the shared strength among survivors; and

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to respecting the experience of crime survivors in every space where decisions are made that could impact them; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County is hereby dedicated to amplifying the voices of victims and creating an environment where victims have the confidence that they will be heard, believed, and supported; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaims the week of *April 19-25, 2026*, as *National Crime Victims' Rights Week*, reaffirming the County's commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice system response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victims' Rights Week and throughout the year; and expressing our 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 victim-centered assistance, support, justice, and peace.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 14th day of April 2026.



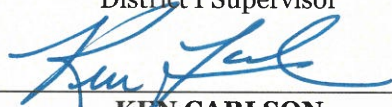
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District III Supervisor



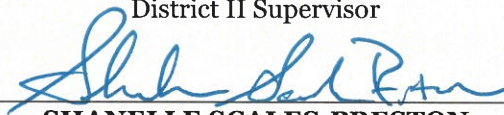
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District IV Supervisor



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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 14, 2026

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

By  , Deputy