

# The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**In the matter of: Proclaiming April 2026 as  
National Sexual Assault Awareness Month.**

Resolution No. 2026-108

**WHEREAS**, National Sexual Assault Awareness Month promotes awareness and educates communities about preventing sexual violence; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2026 theme "25 Years Stronger: Looking Back, Moving Forward" celebrates the resilience of survivors and the communities that have worked for change; and

**WHEREAS**, for 25 years, the Contra Costa Alliance to End Abuse has advanced the Board of Supervisors' policy to end sexual violence in Contra Costa County by building cross-sector partnerships that promote awareness, support innovative prevention and intervention efforts, and address inequities to ensure survivors can access needed services; and

**WHEREAS**, for more than 51 years Community Violence Solutions has provided support services to child and adult survivors of sexual assault and their families, and in 2025, reported 1,275 calls to the Rape Crisis Center's crisis line, completed accompaniment services to 36 sexual assault forensic exams, served 147 clients through its HOPE Therapy Services, and conducted 414 forensic interviews through its Children's Interview Center in collaboration with the Contra Costa District Attorney's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Violence Solutions educated 4,557 participants, through trainings at schools, churches, and civic organizations, as well as educated personnel in the medical, mental health, law enforcement, education, and criminal justice fields on sexual assault and exploitation prevention and intervention; and

**WHEREAS**, Contra Costa County community volunteers work together tirelessly to assist sexual assault survivors, by responding to emergency calls through 24-hour crisis hotlines and offering support, comfort and advocacy during forensic exams, criminal proceedings, and throughout the healing process; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2025, the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office filed 129 cases with crimes related to sexual assault; and its Felony Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Units convicted 10 defendants in jury trials of crimes related to sexual assault; and its Victim Witness Assistance Program provided support to 418 sexual assault survivors both in and out of court; and

**WHEREAS**, Contra Costa Health's Center for Abuse/Assault Response and Evaluation (CARE) Program provides medical evaluation, treatment, education, and prevention services for adults, children, and families who have been exposed to violence, abuse, and neglect, has expanded its services and conducted 196 forensic medical sexual assault examinations in 2025; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby joins the Contra Costa Alliance to End Abuse partners and anti-sexual violence advocates in the belief that all community members can help end sexual violence and work toward a society where all persons can live in peace, free from violence and exploitation, and thereby proclaim **April 2026** as **National Sexual Assault Awareness Month**.

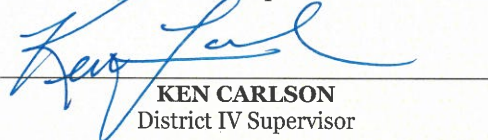
*PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.*



**DIANE BURGIS**  
Chair,  
District III Supervisor



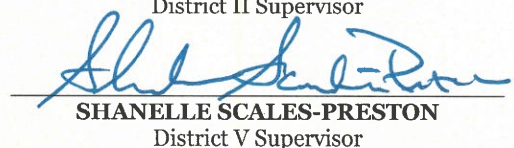
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District V Supervisor



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 NINO, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By  , Deputy