

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2001 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH IN WASHTENAW COUNTY

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, Violence against women and children continue to become more prevalent as a social problem of the imbalance of power due to gender and age; and

WHEREAS, problems of sexual assault, sexual coercion, and sexual harassment are not confined to any group or group of people, but cross all economic, racial, affectional preference, and social barriers, and are supported by social indifference; and

WHEREAS, the crimes of sexual assault, sexual coercion and sexual harassment violate an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity and rend the fabric off community by betrayal of basic trust in others; and

WHEREAS, the impact of sexual assault is wide-ranging, directly affecting women, children and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, it is sexual assault survivors themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to address this issue and create a safer community for all citizens

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims April 2001 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Washtenaw County and encourages the citizens of Washtenaw County to participate in activities/programs that works towards the elimination of sexual violence and coercion