Resolution No. 2025 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF APRIL 6-12, 2025, AS NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, for three decades, National Crime Victims' Rights Week has successfully promoted awareness for victims' rights and services and honored countless crime victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, to the founders of the victims' rights movement, justice means every victim would receive the advocacy and assistance they need in the aftermath of a crime. This year's theme – *Connecting < KINSHIP > Healing*, is a call to action to recognize that shared humanity should be at the center of supporting all survivors and victims of crime. KINSHIP is a state of being with survivors that drives vital connections and increases access to services, rights, and healing. KINSHIP is where victim advocacy begins; and

WHEREAS, among the various types of violent crime reported in the United States, aggravated assault is the most common and is now being reported more often than in previous years; and

WHEREAS, annually, rape costs the U.S. more than any other crime (\$127 billion), followed by assault (\$93 billion), murder (\$71 billion), and drunk driving, including fatalities (\$61 billion); and

WHEREAS, in the most recent report by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR), and nationwide in 2019, there were an estimated 6,925,677 property crimes and an estimated 1,203,808 violent crimes. By violent crime offense, the arrest rate for murder and non-negligent manslaughter was 156.3 per 100,000 inhabitants; rape, 44.0 per 100,000 inhabitants; robbery, 85.1 per 100,000 inhabitants; and aggravated assault, 253.0 per 100,000 inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the Solano County's Crime Victim Assistance Unit worked with 2,673 new victims and witnesses to homicide, robbery, adult and child sexual assaults, domestic violence, stalking, elder abuse, child molestation and physical abuse cases in calendar year 2024. In order for this unit to function, it is supported by grant funding through the California Office of Emergency Services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the Solano County District Attorney's Office Crime Victim Assistance Unit and other community partners and agencies for their advocacy and accomplishments by proclaiming April 6-12, 2025 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Dated this 1st day of April 2025

MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: BILL EMLEN Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: ______ Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk