

Resolution No. 2018 -

RESOLUTION OF SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2018 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence is a pattern of abusive and threatening behaviors perpetrated by an intimate partner or family member against another. Ninety-five percent of all domestic violence victims are women. Women between the ages of 18 and 34 endure the highest rate of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, each year in this country over four million women experience physical assault and rape by their partners. One in three female homicide victims are murdered by their current or former partner every year and an estimated 3.3 million children are exposed to violence by family members. These children suffer deep and lasting emotional effects and are more likely to continue the cycle of abuse from one generation to the next; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the importance of supporting countywide efforts to reduce incidents of domestic violence. There are many agencies and organizations within Solano County that serve those who are dealing with domestic violence. The Solano Family Justice Center (SFJC) is a model program designed to reduce barriers for victims seeking services. SFJC is helping to connect Solano County citizens who are victims of domestic violence and abuse with the support and care they need to feel safe again; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Violence Against Women Act nearly 20 years ago, our awareness and response to domestic violence has greatly improved. What was too often seen as a private issue in the past is now an issue of local and national concern. Laws have changed, our culture has transformed and support services for survivors have multiplied. There has been a significant drop in domestic violence homicides due in part to improved first-responder training and the efforts of support agencies to protect and bring justice to survivors.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize October 2018 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and applauds all agencies working to reduce domestic violence in our community. We stand with domestic violence survivors and will continue to do so until there is peace in our families, homes, and community.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 2018

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk