Resolution No. 2026 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2026 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; and the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a prevalent social problem significantly impacting the health and well-being of Solano residents; and it impacts people of all genders, sexual orientations, ages, racial, ethnic, cultural, social, religious, and economic groups in California and here in Solano County; and

WHEREAS, 24 people per minute are victims of rape, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner in the United States — more than 12 million women and men over the course of a year. One in three female homicide victims are murdered by their current or former partner every year. 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, Solano County law enforcement agencies completed reports on 1,926 domestic violence related calls for assistance in 2025, 412 of which involved weapons and 121 were strangulation or suffocation incidents; and Solano Family Justice Center served 1,980 victims/survivors in 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the importance of supporting countywide efforts to reduce incidents of domestic violence in our community and has supported local efforts to interrupt the generational cycle of violence, including the Solano Family Justice Center. The Family Justice Center Model is built on a simple principle: *"One Roof. No Wrong Door,"* ensuring that wherever a survivor enters, they are welcomed, supported, and connected to the support and services they need. With more than 80 on- and off-site partners providing essential services, the Family Justice Center coordinates care to create a seamless pathway toward safety and healing for children, youth, adults, and families affected by domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 32 years ago, our awareness and response to domestic violence has greatly improved. What was too often seen as a private matter best hidden behind closed doors is now an established issue of local and national concern. Laws have changed, our culture transformed, and support services for survivors have improved. We continue our efforts to provide protection and justice for survivors and to prevent violence from occurring. During Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we stand with domestic abuse survivors ensuring their voices are heard and shedding light in this important issue; and

WHEREAS, this October, let us honor Domestic Violence Awareness Month by promoting peace in our own families, homes, and communities. Solano County is stronger and safer because of the shared commitment of its public safety agencies, health and human services, and community-based organizations working together to support survivors, strengthen families, and build safer communities. Let us renew our commitment to end domestic violence -- in every corner of Solano County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize October 2026 to be "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" and recognizes all local agencies working to reduce domestic and family violence in our communities.

Dated this 6th day of October 2026

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MONICA BROWN, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
IAN M. GOLDBERG, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk