Resolution No. 2017 –

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING APRIL 2017 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, sexual violence is a serious problem that affects millions of people every year, and the Centers for Disease Control found that nearly 1 in 5 women (18.3%) and 1 in 71 men (1.4%) reported experiencing rape at some times in their lives; and

WHEREAS, according to 2010 National Crime Victimization Survey reported 188,380 rapes or sexual assaults of victims age 12 and older. Of these crimes, only 49.6% were reported to law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, numerous community members in Solano County work together to provide quality services and assistance to sexual assault survivors. Area hospitals volunteer their spaces for sexual assault medical exams. School districts partner with SafeQuest Solano to provide prevention education to students. Faith organizations educate their congregations on sexual assault issues, and individuals donate their time and money to increase services to victims; and

WHEREAS, The Solano County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) is a partnership between all local law enforcement jurisdictions within Solano county, prosecutors, the rape crisis center, and the SANE program to assist all individuals affected by sexual assault and help victims heal while providing offender accountability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby declare April 2017 to be "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" and recognizes the efforts of SafeQuest Solano, the Courage Center 2, the Solano Family Justice Center, and all agencies working to eradicate sexual assault and violence in our communities, for their hard work and dedication.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2017

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chairman Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: ______ Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk