Resolution No. 2019 - 193

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2019 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. Ninety-five percent of all domestic violence victims are women and more specifically, women between the ages of 18 and 34 endure the highest rate of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, each year in the United States over 4 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. The SFJC helps to connect Solano County residents who are victims of domestic violence and abuse with the support services and care they need at a critical moment in their lives; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the federal Violence Against Women Act in 1994, the awareness and response to domestic violence has drastically improved. What was once viewed as a private issue in the past is now a much more public and immediate concern. Laws have changed as has our culture. Support services have also multiplied as public awareness has increased over the decades.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognize October 2019 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Solano County and applauds all the agencies working to reduce incidents of domestic violence in our community. Solano County stands with domestic violence survivors and will continue to work to ensure peace in its homes, families and community.

Dated this 1st day of October, 2019

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwonnan Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solang County Board of Supervisors

Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk