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PROCLAMATION SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts many in this community; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Sexual Assault Awareness Month is to raise public awareness about sexual violence and educate communities on how to prevent it; and

WHEREAS, rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment harm our community, and

WHEREAS, the City of Waukesha is fortunate to have the Women's Center as the only agency in Waukesha County that provides supportive services to those affected by sexual assault and abuse, including trafficking and has been since 1977; and

WHEREAS, the Women's Center leads a wide range of initiatives to prevent and respond to sexual assault. These include violence prevention and community education programming; counseling for adult and child survivors of sexual violence; and rape crisis response for sexual assault survivors; and

WHEREAS, all of us as individuals have a role to play in embracing our voices to show support for survivors, standing up against victim blaming, shutting down distasteful jokes, correcting harmful misconceptions and practicing healthy communication.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Shawn Reilly, Mayor of the City of Waukesha, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 2023 to be:

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Signed this 21st day of March 2023

Shawn N. Reilly, Mayor
City of Waukesha