

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Proclamation

**DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 2-8, 2017
AS NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK**

WHEREAS, Americans are the victims of more than 20 million crimes each year and crime can touch the lives of anyone regardless of age, national origin, race, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, immigration or economic status; and

WHEREAS, too many communities feel disconnected from the justice and social response systems and have lost trust in the ability of those systems to recognize and respond to their needs; and

WHEREAS, victims of repeat victimization who fail to receive supportive services are at greater risk for long-term consequences and the victim services community has worked for decades to create an environment for victims that is safe, supportive, and effective; and

WHEREAS, the Victim-Witness Division of the District Attorney's office in Lake County serves crime victims daily, providing assistance and support for a variety of their needs; and

WHEREAS, the Victim-Witness Division, along with state and federal agencies, is working to improve services to crime victims and to enact laws that insure fair treatment for all victims of crime in Lake County and throughout California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Lake County Board of Supervisors does hereby designate the week of April 2-8, 2017, as **National Crime Victims' Rights Week** and expresses their appreciation for those community members, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving our response to all victims of crime so that they may find relevant assistance, support, justice, and peace.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of April, 2017.

ATTEST: CAROL J. HUCHINGSON
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF LAKE

By: _____
Deputy

Chair, Board of Supervisors

