

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Proclamation

**DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2018, AS
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence impacts women, children and men of all racial, cultural and economic backgrounds and emotional and physical scars resulting from Domestic Violence are often severe and long lasting; and

WHEREAS, in the past 12 months, Lake County Law Enforcement responded to over 547 incidents of Domestic Violence, including men, women and children. In the past 12 months the Victim Witness Division of the District Attorney's office has served over 234 victims of Domestic Violence, and the District Attorney's Office has prosecuted 51 felonies and 160 misdemeanor acts of Domestic Violence. Lake Family Resource Center responded to 372 crisis line calls, served victims, and additionally sheltered 171 domestic violence victims and their children for a total of 6,047 bed nights; and

WHEREAS, it is crucially important to hold perpetrators responsible for assault and to prevent Domestic Violence at every opportunity; and

WHEREAS, family violence is a community problem, stopping the cycle requires not only the strength and courage of survivors, but also the support and involvement of all members of the community; and

WHEREAS, many organizations such as the District Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Office, Lakeport Police Department, Clearlake Police Department and Lake Family Resource Center are committed to ending Domestic Violence in Lake County and provide essential crisis intervention and prevention services to all members of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Lake County Board of Supervisors does hereby designate the month of October 2018, as **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** in Lake County, and our community is urged to support the efforts of the agencies assisting victims of domestic violence and to increase their involvement in efforts to prevent domestic violence, thereby strengthening our community and creating an environment which honors, nurtures and protects all members of every family.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of October 2018.

ATTEST: CAROL J. HUCHINGSON
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY OF LAKE

By: _____
Deputy

