



**PROCLAMATION
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
COUNTY OF INYO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DECLARING APRIL 2022 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH**



WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that sexual violence harms our community, and to raise public awareness about sexual violence to encourage prevention; and

WHEREAS, survivors of sexual assault embody incredible strength and resiliency, and should have access to medical care, legal services, counseling, and services to heal and recover from their abuse; and

WHEREAS, child survivors of sexual assault can experience long-term consequences including difficulty at school, substance abuse, and serious physical and mental health problems as adults; and

WHEREAS, child sexual abuse prevention must be a priority to confront the reality that one in six boys and one in four girls will experience sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, we must work together to educate our community about sexual violence prevention; and

WHEREAS, prevention is possible through education, awareness and community involvement to promote safety, respect, and equality; and

WHEREAS, individuals can embrace their voices to show support for survivors, stand up to victim blaming, promote everyday consent, and practice healthy communication with children; and

WHEREAS, we join together with advocates and communities across the country in taking action to prevent sexual violence; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors declaring April 2022 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of April 2022, by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors.

Dan Totheroh,
Chairperson, County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

Attest: *LESLIE L. CHAPMAN*
Clerk of the Board

By: _____
Assistant Clerk of the Board