

DESCHUTES COUNTY

PROCLAMATION

FROM THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS: Sexual violence affects every person in Deschutes County, whether as a victim or survivor, or as a family member, friend, partner, neighbor, educator, employer, or co-worker; and

WHEREAS: Now, more than ever, we are being reminded that we are capable of change, and each person makes choices every day that either support or challenge a culture of violence; and

WHEREAS: Every individual in Deschutes County has a role to play in promoting health and safety for all people, by not tolerating violence, by promoting accountability, and by participating in efforts to end violence; and

WHEREAS: New efforts build on foundations laid by dedicated advocates, preventionists, activists, and other partners who have been doing this work for decades; and

WHEREAS: By taking action where you work, play, learn, worship, or live, change is possible and sexual violence is preventable when we are all working together to end sexual violence.

NOW THEREFORE: The Board of Commissioners of Deschutes County hereby proclaims April 2023 to be

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

in Deschutes County and encourages all citizens to join in this observance.

Anthony DeBone, Chair

Patti Adair, Vice Chair

Phil Chang, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Recording Secretary