

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR YAMHILL COUNTY, OREGON

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In the Matter of a Resolution In)
Support of National Crime Victims')
Rights Week April 2 – 8, 2017)

RESOLUTION 17-4-6-1
Board Order 17-117

Proclamation

Whereas, over 150,000 Oregonians are directly harmed by crime each year, and the physical, emotional, and financial impact of crime falls on people of all ages and abilities, who come from all economic, racial, and social backgrounds; and these crimes affect many more family members, friends, neighbors, and coworkers; and

Whereas, victims who feel understood and supported are more likely to disclose their victimization, seek services, and participate in the justice process; and

Whereas, providing victims with knowledge of their rights and available services further strengthens their ability to recover by restoring a sense of self-empowerment; and

Whereas, a trauma-informed response to victims promotes healing and fosters strength in survivors; and

Whereas, we celebrate those who provide help and support to child victims of violence and sexual abuse; stalking victims; survivors of homicide victims; victims of drunk-driving crashes; and victims of domestic, dating, and sexual violence, and many other life altering crimes and their commitment to respect and enforce victims' rights and to address their needs; and

Whereas, National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 2 – 8, 2017, provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime are afforded their rights; and

Whereas, Yamhill County is dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders, and working for justice for all victims and survivors; and

Now, therefore, we, the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim April 2-8, 2017 to be:

National Crime Victims' Rights Week

and reaffirm Yamhill County's commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victims' Rights Week and throughout the year; and to express our sincere gratitude and 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.

Done this 6th day of April, 2017.



YAMHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Chair

Vice Chair

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Richard J. O'Leary

Accepted by Yamhill County Board of Commissioners on

4-6-17 by Board Order # 17-117