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A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY
OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE
MONTH OF APRIL, 2015, AS SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, sexual assault affects women, children, and men of all racial, cultural, and economic backgrounds; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, in addition to the immediate physical and emotional costs, sexual assault may also have associated consequences of post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, depression, homelessness, eating disorders, and suicide; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, sexual assault can be devastating for not only the survivor, but also for the family and friends of the survivor; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, no one person, organization, agency, or community can eliminate sexual assault on their own, but we can work together to educate our entire population about what can be done to prevent sexual assault, support victims/survivors and their significant others, and increase support for agencies providing services to victims/survivors; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing sexual violence and increases the public's awareness to improve the responses from friends, family members and community professions that will help victims access supportive resources and engage the criminal justice system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 6. Do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2015, as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of Norman.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of April, 2015.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

