

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 4 OF 2020

**WHEREAS**, April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in this community. The theme of this year's Sexual Assault Awareness Month campaign is "I Ask" and the campaign champions the power of asking for consent and;

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the campaign is to shine a light on sexual violence; educate communities on how to prevent it; and empower everyone to put consent into practice and;

**WHEREAS**, rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment harm our community, and statistics show one in five women and one in 67 men will be raped at some point in their lives and;

**WHEREAS**, when we actively get involved, we can prevent sexual violence. The first step is increasing education, awareness, and community involvement. It's time for all of us to take action to create a safer environment for all and;

**WHEREAS**, prevention is possible, and it's happening. Centre Safe is already successfully combating the risk of sexual violence through conversations, educational programs, policies, and research-based tools that promote safety, respect, and equality and;

**WHEREAS**, the community can honor Sexual Assault Awareness Month by creating and promoting safe environments, by modeling healthy attitudes and relationships, and by believing survivors and assisting them in finding resources.

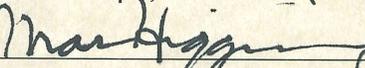
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** in recognition of the work done by agencies and organizations that provide services to victims and honor survivors, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of **April 2020** as **Sexual Assault Awareness Month** and urge all citizens to play a role in the elimination of sexual violence in our community.

**ADOPTED** this 31st day of March 2020.



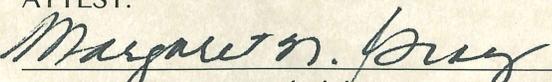
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