

Proclamation



SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH – APRIL 1-30, 2017

Whereas, every day, women, men, and children across Colorado suffer the pain and trauma of rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment; and

Whereas, this crime occurs far too frequently, goes unreported far too often, and leaves long-lasting physical and emotional scars; and

Whereas, during National Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we recommit ourselves not only lifting the veil of secrecy and shame surrounding sexual violence, but also to raising awareness, expanding support for victims, and strengthening our response; and

Whereas, sexual violence affects individuals of all ages, backgrounds, and circumstances; and

Whereas, as a community, we share the responsibility for protecting each other from sexual assault, supporting victims when it does occur, and bringing perpetrators to justice; and

Whereas, the City of Brighton Police Department, as a certified You Have Options agency, remains committed to offering reporting options to victims of sexual assault while responding to sexual violence with a victim-centered, offender-focused approach; and

Whereas, at the local level, we must work to provide necessary resources to victims of every circumstances, including medical attention, mental health services, relocation and housing assistance, and advocacy during the criminal justice process; and

Whereas, the City of Brighton community can come together to increase awareness about sexual violence, decrease its frequency, hold offenders accountable, support victims, and heal lives.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard N. McLean, Mayor of the City of Brighton, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April, 2017 as “**Sexual Assault Awareness Month**” in the City of Brighton.

Dated this 4th Day of April, 2017.

CITY OF BRIGHTON

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Richard N. McLean, Mayor

Ken Kreutzer, Mayor Pro Tem

Lynn Baca

Rex Bell

J.W. Edwards

Mark Humbert

Joan Kniss

Mary Ellen Pollack

Kirby Wallin

ATTEST:

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Natalie Hoel, City Clerk