

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH – APRIL 2026

WHEREAS, April is recognized nationally as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, a time dedicated to raising awareness about sexual violence, supporting survivors, and strengthening prevention efforts in our communities; and

WHEREAS, April 2026 marks the 25th anniversary of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, recognizing the resilience of survivors and the progress made in raising awareness, improving victim services, and advancing prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, sexual violence affects individuals regardless of age, gender, race, or background, and remains one of the most underreported crimes in our nation; and

WHEREAS, survivors of sexual violence often face significant physical, emotional, and social challenges, making it essential that communities provide compassionate, victim-centered responses and accessible resources to support healing and justice; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 national theme, “**25 Years Stronger: Looking Back, Moving Forward,**” encourages communities to reflect on progress while recommitting to prevention, education, and advocacy to end sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness, encouraging open dialogue, and fostering environments of dignity and respect are critical steps toward preventing sexual violence and supporting survivors; and

WHEREAS, teal is the official color of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, symbolizing sexual violence prevention and support for survivors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton and the Brighton Police Department remain committed to a victim-centered, offender-focused response, ensuring survivors have access to advocacy, resources, and support.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Gregory Mills, Mayor of the City of Brighton, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April 2026 as “**Sexual Assault Awareness Month**” in the City of Brighton and encourage all residents to support survivors, raise awareness about sexual violence, and work together to build a safer and more respectful community for all.

Dated this 7th Day of April 2026



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