

# PROCLAMATION



## SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

April 2010

**WHEREAS**, sexual violence is a devastating and intolerable crime, affecting men, women, and children of all races, ages, cultures, economic situations, and abilities; and

**WHEREAS**, sexual violence is a major social problem in homes, schools, and communities across the nation, resulting in countless physical, mental, and other health consequences; and

**WHEREAS**, sexual violence seriously affects our youth, with one out of every three girls and one out of every six boys being sexually abused before the age of 18; and

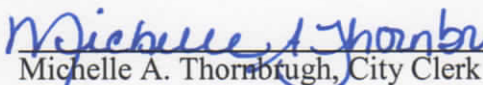
**WHEREAS**, rape remains the most under-reported crime in the United States; and

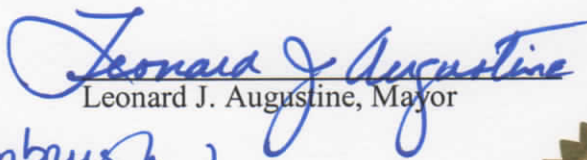
**WHEREAS**, no one person, organization, agency or community can eliminate sexual assault on their own, but we can work together to educate our entire population about what can be done to prevent sexual assault, support victim/survivors and their significant others, and increase support for agencies providing services to victim/survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, Sexual Assault Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing sexual violence;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Leonard J. Augustine, Mayor, on behalf of the City Council of the City of Vacaville, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2010 as **SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH** in the City of Vacaville.

ATTEST

  
Michelle A. Thornbrugh, City Clerk

  
Leonard J. Augustine, Mayor

