

PROCLAMATION OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, sexual assault affects women, children and men of all racial, cultural and economic backgrounds; and

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

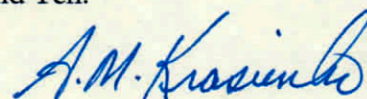
WHEREAS, sexual assault can be devastating for not only the survivor, but also for the family and friends of the survivor; and

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 victims/survivors and their significant others, and increase support for agencies providing services to victims/survivors; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Krasienko, Mayor of the City of Lorain, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and I urge all citizens to respond to and work toward educating and supporting their communities' efforts to take actions against rape and sexual assault during this month and throughout the year to ensure that sexual violence stops.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the great seal of the City of Lorain to be affixed this 10th day of March, Two Thousand Ten.



Tony Krasienko, Mayor
City of Lorain, State of Ohio

