## Town of Scarborough, Maine US ROUTE ONE, PO BOX 360 SCARBOROUGH, MAINE . 04070-0360

## Resolution 10-02 Proclaiming the Month of April, 2010, as

## Sexual Assault Awareness Month

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Town of Scarborough, Maine, in Town Council Assembled, that,

WHEREAS, sexual assault affects women, children, and men of all racial, cultural and economic background; 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 victim/survivors and their significant others, and increase support for agencies providing services to victim/survivors; and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Scarborough Town Council in Town Council assembled, that we do hereby proclaim April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Signed and dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2010 on behalf of the Scarborough Town Council and the Town Manager of Scarborough, Maine.

Signed by:

Council Vice-Chair

Attested by

Yolande P. Justice

Town Clerk