THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO



PROCLAMATION

IN RECOGNITION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH - APRIL 2010

WHEREAS, sexual assault affects women, children, and men of all racial, cultural, and economic backgrounds. Sexual assault can be devastating for not only the victim-survivor, but also for the family and friends of the victim-survivor; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the immediate physical and emotional costs, sexual assault may have associated consequences of post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, depression, homelessness, eating disorders, and suicide; 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, WILLIAM A. MARGALIS, Mayor of the City of Wickliffe, Ohio, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of Wickliffe.

William A. Margalis, Mayor