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PROCLAMATION

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

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 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, 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 abut preventing sexual violence;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that, I, Mayor Robert Zimmerman, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2010, as

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Monroe.

Robert Ziramerman, Mayor