

**TOWN OF RICHMOND  
TOWN COUNCIL 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 past-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 victims/survivors; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:** That the Town Council of the Town of Richmond does hereby proclaim **April 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.**

GIVEN UNDER THE SEAL OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND  
THIS 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2010

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy N. Hay, Town Clerk