**Subject:** Resolution Recognizing National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Butte County

**Department:** District Attorney

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**Meeting Date Requested:** April 14, 2020

**Department Summary:** (Information provided in this section will be included on the agenda. Attach explanatory memorandum and other background as necessary).

The District Attorney's Office recommends adopting a resolution recognizing April 19, 2020 through April 25, 2020 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Butte County. National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recognize the County's commitment to victim services and to assisting survivors with relevant services that support justice and healing of all victims of crime.

**Fiscal Impact:**
None.

**Personnel Impact:**
None.

**Action Requested:**
Adopt resolution and authorize Chair to sign.

**Administrative Office Review:** Andy Pickett, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS’ RIGHTS WEEK

WHEREAS, the victims’ rights movement has resulted in the passage of laws at the local, state, and federal levels that established essential rights for victims;

WHEREAS, crime victims’ rights acts passed here in California and at the federal level have provided victims with ways to participate meaningfully throughout the criminal justice process;

WHEREAS, the rights of crime victims are best protected when all participants in the criminal justice process—not only victims—are appropriately educated about victims’ rights;

WHEREAS, for the fiscal year ending June 2019, the Butte County District Attorney Victim Assistance Bureau offered advocacy services to 3,556 local crime victims and filed 1,033 applications to the Victims’ Compensation Board paying $614,117.44 on behalf of local victims;

WHEREAS, we are determined to respond to crime and violence by helping victims find not only support, recovery, and justice, but also a sense of hope for their future;

WHEREAS, the Butte County District Attorney and the Victim Assistance Bureau are hereby dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim services providers, and bringing hope and healing to all victims and survivors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Butte County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of April 19, 2020 through April 25, 2020 as Crime Victims’ Rights Week. The Board of Supervisors reaffirms the County’s commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victims’ Rights Week and throughout the year; and express sincere gratitude and appreciation for those community members, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals who remain committed to improving the response to victims so they may find relevant support, justice, and peace.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Butte County Board of Supervisors this 14th day of April, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

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Steve Lambert, Chair
Butte County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Shari McCracken, Chief Administrative Officer
and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By: _____________________________
Deputy