

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS:	the Council on Domestic Abuse is a council to end sexual assault and recognize April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month; and
WHEREAS:	Sexual Assault Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in our community; and
WHEREAS:	rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment harm our community, and statistics show one in five women and one in 71 men will be raped at some point in their lives. On campus, one in five women and one in 16 men are sexually assaulted during their time in college; and
WHEREAS:	we must work together to educate our community about sexual violence prevention, supporting survivors, and speaking out against harmful attitudes and actions; and
WHEREAS:	prevention is possible when everyone gets involved. The first step is increasing education, awareness, and community involvement. It is time for all of us to take action to create a safer environment for all; and
WHEREAS:	we join advocates and communities across the country in taking action to prevent sexual violence, and each day of the year is an opportunity to create change for the future.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim April, 2016 as

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

in Terre Haute, and urge all citizens to actively support the activities and programs sponsored by the Council on Domestic Abuse and to work toward the elimination of sexual assault.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 7th day of April, 2016.

the a Save Duke A Bennett, Mayor

