



Seeds of Hope

A nurturing world free from violence



Resolution #34-2012/2013

Grundy County Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, in our society violence against women and children continues to escalate; and

WHEREAS, sexual violence affects every person in Grundy County as a victim/survivor or as a family member, significant other, neighbor or coworker of a victim/survivor; and

WHEREAS, Grundy County recognizes the importance of designating a time devoted to increasing the general public's awareness of sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Grundy County are working to provide quality services and assistance to sexual assault survivors; and volunteers help staff 24-hour hotlines, respond to emergency phone calls and offer support, comfort, and advocacy during medical exams and criminal justice proceedings (or other services); and

WHEREAS, Seeds of Hope staff and volunteers promote sexual assault prevention by offering educational programs to schools, churches, and civic organizations as well as professional training to medical, mental health, law enforcement, education, and criminal justice personnel regarding sexual assault issues; and

WHEREAS, Seeds of Hope, other professionals and supporters have joined together to support each other in their work and to provide Grundy County and its citizens with a central source of information on sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, it is vitally important that continued educational efforts to provide information about prevention and services for survivors of sexual violence be supported and enhanced; and

WHEREAS, it is critical to intensify public awareness of sexual violence, to educate people about the need for citizen involvement in efforts to reduce sexual violence, to increase support for agencies providing sexual assault services; and

WHEREAS, Seeds of Hope requests public support and assistance as it continues to work toward a society where all women, men, and children can live in peace, free from violence and exploitation;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the month of April as

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

In Grundy County, and we commend this observance to all citizens.

Signed: James Ross

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