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## PROCLAMATION “WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES DAY”

**WHEREAS**, “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” Day is intended to draw attention to the fact that rape, sexual assault, and intimate partner abuse remain serious issues in our society; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the immediate physical and emotional costs, rape, sexual assault and intimate partner abuse may also have associated consequences of post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, depression, homelessness, eating disorders and suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, no one person, organization, agency or community can eliminate rape, sexual assault, or intimate partner abuse on their own—we must work together to educate our entire population about what can be done to prevent rape, sexual assault, and intimate partner abuse, support survivors and their significant others, and

**WHEREAS**, “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” literally asks men to walk a mile in women’s shoes to help men better understand and appreciate women’s experiences; and

**WHEREAS**, “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” expands the dialogue between men and women on gender differences, gender relationships and gender violence and for men to also publicly demonstrate their courage and commitment to preventing gender violence; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors designates April 28, 2018 as “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” Day in San Benito County.

In witness of the approval of this proclamation by the San Benito County Board of Supervisors on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.

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Anthony Botelho, Chairman  
San Benito County Board of Supervisors