BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming October)	
2019 as "Domestic Violence)	RESOLUTION
Awareness Month" in Tillamook)	#R-19-012
County, Oregon)	

This matter came before the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners on October 2, 2019, at the request of Tides of Change (formerly the Tillamook County Women's Resource Center). The Board, being fully apprised of the representations of the above-named entity, finds as follows:

- Domestic violence is a critical public health and safety problem. Many people care and want to do something about it but believe their actions will not make a difference.
- 2. If each community member commits to doing one thing (#1Thing) to prevent or end domestic violence, the collective action can make a difference in Tillamook County and in the movement to end domestic violence.
- 3. For the month of October 2019 and beyond, Tides of Change challenges individuals and communities to articulate the collective "#1Things" they can do to prevent and end intimate partner violence.
- 4. For their #1Thing, community members can use their voices to stand against victim-blaming, discrimination, and stigmatizing victims and survivors of domestic violence. Individuals can also commit to listening and supporting survivors without judgment and with respect for their choices.
- 5. Each #1Thing carried out will shed light on the strength and perseverance of change-makers in the face of challenging times, the impact on individual and community journeys of healing and resilience, and the invaluable role community members play in transforming their world.
- 6. Tillamook County has taken the initiative to respond to domestic violence incidents through the Advocacy-Initiated Response (AIR) program, a critical #1Thing implemented by the partnerships of Tides of Change, Tillamook County District Attorney's office, the District Attorney's Victims' Assistance Program, Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, City of Tillamook Police Department, Rockaway Beach Police Department, and Manzanita Department of Public Safety. The AIR initiative promptly connects victims and survivors to trained advocates who provide support and resources. Only one other county in Oregon utilizes the AIR program.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:

- 7. The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the month of October 2019 as *Domestic Violence Awareness Month* in Tillamook County.
- 8. The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners encourages all citizens to join in the observance of *Domestic Violence Awareness Month* to discover and carry out the one thing (#1Thing) they can do to prevent and end gender-based violence, support victims and survivors, and honor the advocates who serve survivors.

DATED this 2nd day of October, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	
FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON	Aye Nay Abstain/Absent
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ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil, County Clerk	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
By: Special Deputy	Joel W Stevens, County Counsel
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