

1 [National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month - April 2026]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the month of April 2026 as "National Sexual Assault Awareness**
4 **and Prevention Month" in the City and County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, Sexual violence remains a pervasive and critical public health issue that
7 affects individuals of all ages, genders, and backgrounds across the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, The United States Sentencing Commission reports that, of the 61,678
9 cases reported in the Fiscal Year of 2024, 1430 cases involved sexual abuse; and

10 WHEREAS, According to the Center of Disease Control and Prevention, almost half of
11 female rape survivors reported that they were first raped as a minor; and

12 WHEREAS, The Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN) reports that
13 someone is sexually assaulted is every 68 seconds, emphasizing the critical need for
14 sustained efforts in prevention, intervention, and support services for survivors; and

15 WHEREAS, Mental health effects of sexual violence among survivors include reactions
16 such as fear, shame, humiliation, guilt, and self-blame as well as symptoms of post-traumatic
17 stress and a distorted self-perception of themselves; and

18 WHEREAS, The California Healthy Youth Act, enacted January 1, 2016, mandates that
19 middle and high school students receive health education about healthy relationships,
20 consent, sexual assault, teen dating violence, and more; and

21 WHEREAS, RAINN also indicates that teenagers face the highest risk of child sexual
22 abuse as 66% of victims who are minors are between the ages of 12-17 years old; and

23 WHEREAS, It is the shared responsibility to support all survivors of sexual assault by
24 treating them with dignity, compassion, and respect; and

1 WHEREAS, It is significant and important to recognize the strength, courage, and
2 resilience of survivors - as well as their families and loved ones - as they cope with the trauma
3 of sexual violence; and

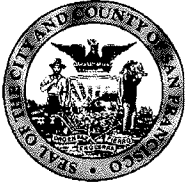
4 WHEREAS, The compassion and dedication of advocates, service providers,
5 healthcare professionals, and justice system partners are vital in helping survivors heal,
6 especially teens and young adults, and their work helps increase public understanding of this
7 widespread issue and important prevention efforts; and

8 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department on the Status of Women, community-
9 based organizations, and public agencies continue to address the crisis of sexual violence
10 through coordinated services, education, and prevention efforts; and

11 WHEREAS, National and statewide campaigns, such as Denim Day, raise awareness
12 and challenge harmful myths about sexual assault, including victim-blaming attitudes that
13 persist in society and institutions; and

14 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors is steadfast in its commitment to
15 supporting survivors, raising awareness, preventing sexual violence, and ensuring access to
16 culturally responsive support services for all; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors officially recognizes the
18 month of April 2026 as National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.



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Resolution

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Date Passed: April 21, 2026

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April 21, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Chen, Dorsey, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

Excused: 2 - Chan and Fielder

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/21/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

f Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

05/01/2026

Daniel Lurie
Mayor

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

f Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

05/01/2026

Date