



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
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10.		Favor	B Citizen	
			GERI MEYERS	<p>Hello. My name is Geri Meyers and I am with the Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC). I am writing in support for Item #10, brought forward by Supervisors Hilda Solis and Lindsey Horvath, which would proclaim April 2024 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month: Building Connected Communities and Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Compliance."</p> <p>Incarcerated people, and youth in particular, are vulnerable to sexual trauma and rape. Many are navigating trauma from adverse experiences before incarceration, which is exacerbated in prisons and jails. It is vital that the county ensure that facilities are PREA compliant.</p> <p>As someone who has experienced incarceration, and work with the youth, this motion is very important to me and my community at ARC. I respectfully ask for your support.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Gerri Meyers</p>
			Karen Eyres	
			Kathy Cady	<p>Victims Unite LA stands in support of proclaiming April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. We thank the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for safeguarding victims' rights and empowering crime victims and their families.</p> <p>Victims Unite LA is a coalition of agencies and individuals dedicated to empowering all crime victims and their families. We promote putting the needs of crime victims first.</p> <p>Victims Unite LA supports funding and policies that protect victims and support their healing and hold offenders accountable. Victims Unite LA opposes funding and policies that violate victims' rights, endanger crime victims and their families, and endanger public safety, our communities and our neighborhoods.</p>
			Wendelyn Julien	

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10.		Oppose	Monisha Parker	<p>How to celebrate the Black American Sexual Assault Awareness Month?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Educate yourself on the history and prevalence of sexual assault in the Black American community. Learn about the unique challenges and obstacles that Black survivors may face in seeking support and justice. 2. Host a community event or discussion to raise awareness about sexual assault in the Black community. This could include panels, workshops, film screenings, or art exhibits that highlight the experiences and voices of Black survivors. 3. Show support for Black-owned organizations and initiatives that work to combat sexual assault and provide resources for survivors. Donate to or volunteer with these organizations to make a tangible impact in the community. 4. Use your platform or social media presence to amplify the voices of Black survivors and advocates. Share their stories, resources, and calls to action to help raise awareness and inspire change. 5. Advocate for systemic change by supporting policies and legislation that address sexual assault and provide better support and resources for survivors, particularly within the Black community. 6. Practice self-care and prioritize your own mental and emotional well-being during this month of heightened awareness and activism. Seek out resources and support if you are a survivor of sexual assault or if you are feeling overwhelmed by the issues being discussed. 7. Engage in conversations with friends, family, and colleagues about sexual assault in the Black community and the importance of supporting survivors. Encourage others to educate themselves and take action to create a more supportive and inclusive society.
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