

RESOLUTION 2024 - 21

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON APPROVING
A PROCLAMATION FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Sunnyside City Council approved resolution 2024-13 regarding the authority to approve and sign proclamations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Sunnyside would like to recognize April as a Sexual Assault Awareness month; and

WHEREAS, sexual assault affects individuals of all ages, backgrounds, and genders which has a consequences for individuals, families, and communities as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Sunnyside wishes to express commitment towards combating sexual violence and fostering a safe and respectful community for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby approves a proclamation, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" proclaiming April 2024 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of Sunnyside.

SECTION 2. The City of Sunnyside encourages citizens to raise awareness of sexual assault, consent, healthy relationships, have conversations about consent, support victims and support organizations that provide resources and support services.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall be effective upon passage, approval and signatures hereon in accordance with law.

PASSED this 8th day of April 2024.



DEAN BROERSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST:



JACQUELINE RENTERIA, CITY CLERK

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:
SAXTON RILEY & RILEY, PLLC**



BENJAMIN J. RILEY
ATTORNEYS FOR THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE

City of Sunnyside, Washington


Proclamation

WHEREAS, *Sexual Assault Awareness Month is observed every April in the United States to increase public awareness, promote the importance of consent, and educate communities about the prevention of sexual assault, harassment, and abuse; and*

WHEREAS, *sexual assault affects individuals of all ages, races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations, abilities, and socio-economic backgrounds; and*

WHEREAS, *over 53% of women and over 29% of men reported experiencing sexual violence in their lifetime; and*

WHEREAS, *the City of Sunnyside is committed to fostering a safe and inclusive environment where all residents are treated with dignity and respect, free from any form of sexual violence or harassment; and*

WHEREAS, *the City supports programs and initiatives that work to provide resources, advocacy, and support for survivors of sexual assault, while also promoting education, prevention, and awareness efforts; and*

WHEREAS, *all residents are encouraged to actively engage in conversations surrounding consent, respect, and boundaries, and to take a stand against sexual assault, harassment, and abuse in our community;*

City of Sunnyside, Washington
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WASHINGTON

Proclamation

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dean Broersma, Mayor of the City of Sunnyside, Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Washington and on behalf of the City Council do hereby proclaim April 2024 as

“Sexual Assault Awareness Month”

in the City of Sunnyside and calls upon all community members, institutions, and organizations to raise awareness about sexual assault, support survivors, and work towards the prevention of sexual violence in our community.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE THIS 8TH DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR 2024.


DEAN BROERSMA
MAYOR OF SUNNYSIDE