# **REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

# HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: April 3, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Sexual Assault Awareness Month Resolution

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution

### **SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Ms. Jane Orwoll, Board Chair of the Healing Place, has requested that the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached resolution setting aside April 2006 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

### COUNTY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION/BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached resolution as presented.

## HENDERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### Resolution

#### Ending Sexual Violence – April 2006 Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Whereas, sexual assault continues to be a major crisis in our society; and

Whereas, sexual assault affects every child and adult in Henderson County as a victim/survivor or as a family member, significant other, neighbor or co-worker of a victim/survivor; and

Whereas, volunteers and service providers in our community are working to provide a continuum of care to sexual assault survivors through 24-hour hotlines, counseling, support groups, advocacy, medical care and education; and

Whereas, Henderson County seeks to improve services for victims/survivors of sexual assault and prevent future sexual assault through public awareness and services for victims; and

Whereas, this community recognizes the vital importance of designating a time devoted to increasing the general public's awareness and support of agencies providing services to rape victims; and

Whereas, we hold forth a vision of a community free from sexual violence.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** by the Henderson County, North Carolina Board of Commissioners to set aside the month of April 2006 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Adopted this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2006.

William L. Moyer, Chairman

ATTEST:

Elizabeth W. Corn, Clerk to the Board