

Shasta County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims
September 25, 2017

WHEREAS, the devastating impact of murder in America has far-reaching effects on individuals, families, communities, and our nation as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the families of murder victims face immediate, short-term and lasting consequences that have a profound effect on them – emotionally, financially, physically, socially and spiritually; and

WHEREAS, the murder of a loved one robs the victim's family of a mother, father, sister, brother, son, daughter, husband, wife, partner, grandparent, aunt, uncle, extended family member, friend, neighbor or colleague, and creates an overwhelming challenge to fill the void their absence creates; and

WHEREAS, the Shasta County District Attorney's Office believes that honoring the memory of victims who have been killed by violence and acknowledging the resulting long-term trauma for families and communities is an important way of promoting public awareness and remembering our loved ones; and

WHEREAS, survivors of homicide victims use their tragedies to tell stories of pain and anger inflicted by a homicide, rejecting paths of retaliation, shame and isolation, and instead lean toward learning and teaching lessons of compassion and peace; and

WHEREAS, survivors of homicide victims transform their pain and anger into power and action, by honoring the memory of their loved ones impacted by homicide. Through leadership, grief support and advocacy, survivors are reducing violence and promoting prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta does hereby proclaim September 25, 2017, as a Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims in Shasta County.

David A. Kehoe, Chairman

September 19, 2017

Date