

Item 6



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date:

January 29, 2013

Prepared By/Phone Number:

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:

Greg Hamilton, Sheriff

Commissioners Court Sponsor:

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Consider and take appropriate action on the following:

- A. Recognize February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention month (read Resolution)

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

(video provided to media services).

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Continue the outreach opportunity.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

To raise awareness of Teen Dating Violence and to encourage teens to make good decisions, trust their instincts, and know their boundaries to have a healthy relationship.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

Chief Jim Sylvester
Travis County Sheriff's Office
TCSO, 854-9787

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. for the next week's meeting.

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Resolution

WHEREAS, 72% of 8th and 9th Graders Reportedly "Date";

WHEREAS, 1 in 4 Adolescents Report Verbal, Physical, Emotional, or Sexual Abuse from a Dating Partner Each Year;

WHEREAS, about 10% of Students Nationwide Report being Physically Hurt by a Boyfriend or Girlfriend in the Past 12 Months;

WHEREAS, Cell Phone Calls and Texting Mean Constant Control: 1 in 3 Teens Say They are Text Messaged 10, 20, 30 Times an Hour by a Partner Who is Keeping Tabs on Them; and

WHEREAS, the Establishment of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month Will Benefit Schools, Communities, and Families Regardless of Socioeconomic Status, Race, or Sex.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, DO HEREBY DESIGNATE THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2013 AS

"NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH"

IN TRAVIS COUNTY AND CALL UPON THE RESIDENTS OF TRAVIS COUNTY, INCLUDING YOUTH AND PARENTS, SCHOOLS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND INTERESTED GROUPS TO OBSERVE NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH WITH APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF THE CRIME OF TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AND EMPOWER TEENS TO DEVELOP HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS _____ DAY OF JANUARY 2013.

SAMUEL T. BISCOE
COUNTY JUDGE

RON DAVIS
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

SARAH ECKHARDT
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

KAREN HUBER
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

MARGARET J. GÓMEZ
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