

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** We believe and honor the stories of all survivors, celebrating their resilience; and
- WHEREAS:** Survivors deserve accessible, affordable, and widely available trauma-informed interventions to support healing from psychological and physical trauma; and
- WHEREAS:** Now, more than ever, we are reminded to center the needs of people who experience marginalization, who experience consistently higher rates of violence, so our communities will be safer and healthier for all people; and
- WHEREAS:** Anti-violence work is justice work and is deeply tied to efforts throughout the state working towards social justice, racial justice, environmental and climate justice, reproductive justice, health equity, affordable housing access, suicide prevention, and more, and without these, we cannot realize a future without violence and abuse; and
- WHEREAS:** Every individual, community, organization, and institution in Oregon has a role to play in promoting health and safety for all people, and preventing violence where we work, play, learn, worship, and live.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **April 2024** to be

SEXUAL ASSAULT ACTION MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, March 7, 2024.



Tina Kotek, Governor

LaVonne Griffin-Valade, Secretary of State