

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** We believe and honor the stories of all survivors, celebrating their resilience and courage especially in times when systems and industries collude to silence the voices and experiences of survivors of sexual violence, harassment, and abuse; and
- WHEREAS:** Survivors and communities deserve accessible, affordable, and widely available trauma-informed interventions and prevention work 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 and consistently higher rates of violence, so that our communities will be safer and healthier for all people; and
- WHEREAS:** Anti-violence work is social justice work, deeply tied to efforts throughout the state working towards actualizing racial equity, 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 plays a role in preventing violence and promoting health and safety for all people, healing from systemic oppression, 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 2025 to be

SEXUAL ASSAULT ACTION MONTH (SAAM)

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, February 20, 2025.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tina Kotek".

Tina Kotek, Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tobias Read".

Tobias Read, Secretary of State