

R E S O L U T I O N
of
T H E B O A R D O F S U P E R V I S O R S
M A R I N C O U N T Y

PROCLAIMING
NATIONAL CONDOM WEEK
FEBRUARY 14 – 21, 2018

WHEREAS, the burden of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), has been substantially increasing in Marin County, California, and nationwide during the past 5 years; and

WHEREAS, the number of Marin County residents diagnosed with syphilis increased from 10 in 2010 to 100 in 2017; and

WHEREAS, nationwide young people aged 15–24 years acquire half of all new STDs and 1 in 4 sexually active adolescent females have an STD, such as chlamydia or human papillomavirus (HPV); and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the California Healthy Youth Act expanded existing laws requiring Marin County school districts to ensure that all pupils in grades 7 to 12, receive inclusive, comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education; and

WHEREAS, condom use is among the most effective means to prevent bacterial and viral sexually transmitted diseases, unwanted pregnancies, and promote sexual health; and

WHEREAS, The Great American Condom Campaign (GACC) is a youth-led grassroots movement for students to distribute condoms, and educate their peers about sexual and reproductive health issues; and

WHEREAS, National Condom Week offers the opportunity to reverse the trend of increasing STD's by renewing our commitment to safe sex and county-wide collaboration to educate, promote and distribute condoms; and

WHEREAS, Health and Human Services partners with our local school districts, community health centers, and community-based organizations including, the HIV/AIDS Care Council, Huckleberry Youth Programs, Novato Youth Center, the Spahr Center, Planned Parenthood, PPSI, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to improve, protect and promote the sexual health and well-being of Marin County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin hereby proclaims the week of February 14 – 21, 2018, as "National Condom Week," and encourages sexually active Marin County residents to protect themselves by using condoms.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held this 13th day of February 2018.

DAMON CONNOLLY – SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT 1 - PRESIDENT

