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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Shelli Brobst for Jennifer Yasumoto - Director  
Health & Human Services Administration

**REPORT BY:** JoAnn Melgar, Staff Services Analyst II - 707-253-4722

**SUBJECT:** Presentation of a Proclamation for Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month – June 2019

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Presentation of a proclamation to Kris Brown, Deputy Director of Health and Human Services Comprehensive Services for Older Adults, declaring June 2019 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in Napa County.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This proclamation declaring June 2019 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month, seeks to raise awareness of elder and dependent adult abuse in Napa County, which has a larger percentage of residents aged 65 and older compared to the rest of California. Currently 19% of Napa County residents are aged 65 or older, versus 14.7% in California.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?                      No

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

Due to the nature of elder abuse, June 15th is recognized internationally as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, first established in 2006, to raise awareness of elder and dependent adult abuse and to promote better understanding of the cultural, social, economic, and demographic issues that may contribute to the growing incidence of elder and dependent adult abuse around the globe. In 2018, the California State Legislature proclaimed the month of June 2018 Elder and Dependent Adult Awareness Month and June of every month thereafter. Throughout the world, abuse and neglect of elder and dependent adults remains under-recognized. No community or country in the world is immune from this social problem. Abuse and neglect of elder and dependent adults is a complex and multifaceted problem. Elder abuse encompasses many different types of harms and can occur in community or institutional settings.

Proclaiming June 2019, as "Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month" raises awareness of this unspoken problem and encourages every citizen to report suspected abuse and protect those elder and dependent adults in our community.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

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CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri