



A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VERNON DECLARING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2025 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH AND APRIL 30, 2025, AS DENIM DAY

WHEREAS, April 2025, commemorates 26 years of Denim Day, the longest-running sexual violence prevention education campaign; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Vernon recognizes April 2025 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and April 30, 2025, as Denim Day; and

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Denim Day are intended to draw attention to the fact that rape and sexual assault continue to be serious issues in our society, and both events were instituted to call attention to misconceptions and misinformation about rape and sexual assault, and the problem that many in society remain uninformed with respect to issues of assault and forcible rape; and

WHEREAS, Denim Day originated in 1999 after women in the Italian Parliament protested the Italian Supreme Court's overturning of a rape conviction; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Vernon encourages employees, residents and members of the business community to participate in Sexual Assault Awareness Month in support of this awareness campaign to educate all people in our community about the true impact of rape and sexual assault, and to wear jeans on April 30, 2025, as a visible means of awareness against misconceptions that surround sexual assault.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VERNON, ON BEHALF OF ITS EMPLOYEES, RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES HEREBY DECLARE THE MONTH OF APRIL 2025 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH, AND APRIL 30, 2025, AS DENIM DAY. THIS PROCLAMATION HAS BEEN CREATED TO BRING AWARENESS TO THIS CAMPAIGN BY THE HONORABLE MAYOR JUDITH MERLO FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VERNON THIS 1ST DAY OF APRIL TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE.



CITY OF VERNON

By: _____
JUDITH MERLO, Mayor