

PROCLAMATION

IN RE: DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, dating violence is a reality for many youth and an issue that many are unaware of; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 3 young people are affected by physical, sexual or verbal dating violence with 1 in 5 in a serious relationship reporting having been slapped, pushed, hit, threatened or coerced by a partner and breakups can be time of even greater risk even when a relationship was never physically abusive; and

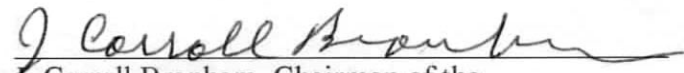
WHEREAS, young people can choose better relationship when they understand that healthy relationships are based on respect and learn to identify early warning signs of an abusive relationship; and

WHEREAS, elimination of dating violence must be achieved through cooperation of individuals, organizations and communities; and

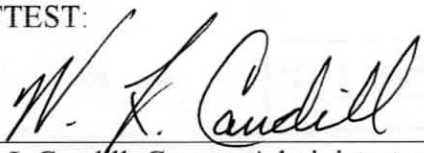
WHEREAS, Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing dating violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the month of March 2010, as Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month in Buchanan County, Virginia.

This Resolution was adopted on the 15th day of March, 2010.


J. Carroll Branham, Chairman of the
Buchanan County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:


W. J. Caudill, County Administrator