

Warren County Board of Supervisors

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the term “victim” is more than just a label and has legal standing and protections that go along with it, and

WHEREAS, crime victims’ rights acts passed here in New York State and at the Federal level guarantee victims the right to meaningfully participate in the criminal justice process, and

WHEREAS, victim service providers, advocates, law enforcement officers, attorneys and other allied professionals can help survivors find their justice by enforcing these rights, and

WHEREAS, victim service providers and allied professionals can reach more victims through innovative, trauma-informed programs, such as telehealth services and multi-disciplinary teams, and

WHEREAS, victim service providers and allied professionals can increase access to victim services and compensation in areas that have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by inequality by implementing culturally responsive services, and

WHEREAS, equity and inclusion are fundamental prerequisites to survivor care, and survivor-led services that provide victims with opportunities to share their experiences are essential blueprints for support, and

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims’ Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that accessible, appropriate, and trauma-informed services are offered to all victims of crime, and

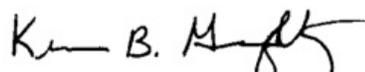
WHEREAS, Warren County is hereby dedicated to helping crime survivors find their justice by enforcing victims’ rights, expanding access to services, and ensuring equity and inclusion for all, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I, Kevin B. Geraghty, Chairman of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, upon a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the week of April 24-30, 2022, as

CRIME VICTIMS’ RIGHTS WEEK

reaffirming Warren County’s commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victims’ Rights Week and throughout the year, and expressing our sincere gratitude and appreciation for those community members, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving our response to all victims of crime so that they may find relevant assistance, support, justice and peace.

DATED: APRIL 14, 2022



**KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN
WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**