## ~ PROCLAMATION ~

Whereas, National Day of Remembrance for Homicide Victims was first declared in 1998 to recognize the devastating impact homicide has on surviving family members and friends; and

Whereas, we as a nation and individuals recognize that those families and friends live with great pain and sorrow in the absence of their loved ones; and

Whereas, the families of homicide victims face immediate, short-term and lasting consequences that have profound effects on them emotionally, financially, physically, socially and spiritually; and

Whereas, honoring the memory of victims who have died by violence and acknowledging the resulting long-term trauma for families, communities and the nation are important parts of promoting public awareness and remembering loved ones,

Now, therefore, we, the Board of County Councilors, do hereby proclaim the 16th of September 2015 to be

## ~ National Day of Remembrance for Homicide Victims ~

In Clark County, Washington, to honor homicide victims and those who remember them this day and throughout the year, and urge all citizens and institutions to support enforcement of victim rights and services throughout our community.

Dated this 16th day of September 2015

BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS FOR CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

David Madore, Chair

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