

# CITY OF FLAGSTAFF – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, a time to bring attention to the widespread issue of sexual violence and empower communities to act; and

**WHEREAS**, this year’s theme is “25 Years Stronger: Looking Back, Moving Forward”, highlighting the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the national awareness initiative, celebrating progress in the movement to end sexual violence while focusing on future prevention, building safer communities, and sustaining momentum; and

**WHEREAS**, everyone deserves to live in safe and supportive communities where they are treated with respect. When we work together to uphold safety and respect, we make progress in preventing sexual abuse, assault and harassment; and

**WHEREAS**, nationwide, over 53% of women and over 29% of men have reported experiencing sexual violence; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2025, Victim Witness Services for Northern Arizona worked with 233 adult survivors of sexual violence and 176 child survivors of sexual abuse, and the Northern Arizona Care and Services After Assault provided 86 forensic exams for Sexual Assault survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Flagstaff encourages all community members to work together to promote education about sexual violence prevention, supporting survivors, and speaking out against harmful attitudes and actions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Becky Daggett, Mayor of Flagstaff, Arizona, do hereby proclaim, the month of April 2026 as**

## SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.

*Becky Daggett*

MAYOR

ATTEST:

*Stacy Salzburg*

CITY CLERK