

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

Whereas, Americans are the victims of more than 26 million crimes each year, and crime can touch the lives of anyone regardless of age, national origin, race, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, immigration, and economic status; and

Whereas, it is essential we acknowledge that crime victims, despite inherent challenges and difficulties created by the crimes they have suffered, work to become survivors as they rebuild their lives and navigate the impact of the trauma through their strength, bravery, courage, and resilience; and

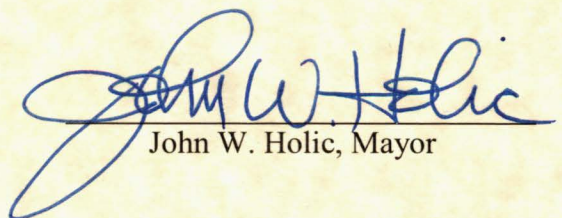
Whereas, victim advocates help victims rebuild their lives, cope with the impact of crime, advocate for legal rights and options, access victim compensation, develop safety plans, and navigate the criminal justice and social services systems alongside victims.

Now, Therefore, I, John W. Holic, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council do hereby proclaim April 8 through 14, 2018 as

National Crime Victims' Rights Week

in the City of Venice and reaffirm Venice's commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime; and to express 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.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and caused the Seal
of the City of Venice to be affixed
this 27th day of March, 2018.*


John W. Holic, Mayor

