## **RESOLUTION NO. 607**

## A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE WEEK OF APRIL 26 - MAY 2, 1987 AS NATIONAL VICTIMS RIGHTS WEEK.

WHEREAS, many citizens of the State of Oregon have become victims of crime and have sustained personal and financial losses; and

WHEREAS, a need exists to understand better the rights of victims and the nature of the problems they encounter; and

WHEREAS, the reporting of crimes by victims needs to be encouraged by the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, the compassion of the criminal justice system needs to be improved now; and

WHEREAS, the fair administration of justice mandates that the citizens of Oregon, and most particularly its public servants, recognize and honor the rights of victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Wilsonville, Clackamas County, do hereby proclaim that the week of April 26 to May 2, 1987, shall be "Victims Rights Week"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during this week, public awareness should be encouraged as to the need for crime prevention and reporting, as well as to the rights of victims of crimes and the services available to them.

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ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Wilsonville at a regular meeting thereof this 20th day of April, 1987, and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this same date.

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WILLIAM E. STARK, Mayor

ATTEST:

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VERA A. ROJAS, City Recorder

Summary of Votes:		
Mayor Stark		AYE
Councilor	Gardiner	AYE
Councilor	Clarke	ABSENT
Councilor	Edwards	AYE
Councilor	Stokes	AYE

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The City Council of Wilsonville P.O. Box 220 Wilsonville, Oregon 97070

Dear Mayor Stark:

The National Organization for Victim Assistance has declared the week of April 26 - May 2, 1987, as National Victims Rights Week. The purpose of the week is to recognize the problems faced by victims and witnesses and society's obligation to alleviate those problems.

Crime continues to be a serious social problem in the United States. Yet the victims of crime have often borne the costs of crime without help from any quarter. In fact, many victims and witnesses of crime suffer compounded indignities and injury by the way in which society and the criminal justice system treat them.

Victims and witnesses who are willing to help the criminal justice system are society's most valuable resources in fighting crime. Both practical considerations and simple justice entitle victims and witnesses to certain basic rights, among them the right to protection from harm, the right to be treated with respect, and the right to be informed of available human services.

I respectfully request that you support National Victims Rights Week and help the citizens of our community by issuing the enclosed resolution.

Sincerely,

Cames WO3 2 can JAMES W. O'LEARY District Attorney

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### MODEL RESOLUTION

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Whereas the compassion of the criminal justice system needs to be improved now; and

Whereas the fair administration of justice mandates that the citizens of Oregon, and most particularly its public servants, recognize and honor the rights of victims,

Therefore, be it resolved,

That we, The City Council of Wilsonville, Clackamas County does hereby proclaim that the week of April 26 to May 2, 1987, shall be "Victims Rights Week"; and be it further resolved

That during this week public awareness should be encouraged as to the need for crime prevention and reporting, as well as to the rights of victims of crimes and the services available to them.