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ULSTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Americans are the victims to more than 26 million crimes each year, and crime affects the lives of many regardless of age, national origin, race, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or economic status; and
- WHEREAS,** Many victims face challenges in finding appropriate services, including victims with disabilities, young victims of color, deaf and hard of hearing victims, LGBTQ victims, and others; and
- WHEREAS,** Victims and survivors of crime across America need and deserve consistent access to support and assistance that can help them cope with the short-term and long-term consequences of crime; and
- WHEREAS,** With the full weight of our community and victim service providers behind them, survivors will feel empowered to face their grief, loss, fear, anger, and shame, without the fear of judgment and will feel understood and worthy of support; and
- WHEREAS,** Ulster County has many resources available to victims of crime and has continued to make great strides in its efforts to seek justice for, and meet the needs of victims of crime; and
- WHEREAS,** National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 10 – April 16, 2016, is an important time to join together to focus on a collective theme of "Serving Victims, Building Trust and Restoring Hope."
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Michael P. Hein, Executive of the County of Ulster, do hereby proclaim the week of April 10 – April 16, 2016, as

Crime Victims' Rights Week

in Ulster County and I call the observance to the attention of all our citizens.

The County of Ulster

Michael P. Hein, County Executive

Date: April 4, 2016

