Proclamation

WHEREAS, Healthy attitudes and accurate information about sexuality and relationships are essential to raising children to grow up prepared to engage in respectful, responsible and joyful relationships; and

WHEREAS, Families are the primary source of education about sexuality and relationships for children and young people; and

WHEREAS, Parents – fathers and mothers – need and deserve support from extended family, friends, neighbors, schools, faith communities, other community organizations and institutions – including entertainment and news media, to help them instill and reinforce in their children and teens - male and female - healthy and positive attitudes about sexuality and relationships; and

WHEREAS, "Let's Talk Month" is a national and statewide initiative each October that promotes the importance of strong partnerships between families and their communities to help foster respectful, responsible and positive attitudes and to provide accurate information for young people about their sexuality and relationships; and

WHEREAS, Working together, parents, families and their communities can provide the information and support young people need and deserve to prepare for their responsibilities during their growing-up-years, as well as for the adults and the parents most young people will someday become; Now, Therefore, Be It

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims October 2008 as "LET'S TALK MONTH" and commends this observance to our citizens.

Jan Parker, Chair
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Janice Rettman, Commissioner and Vice-Chair
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