



Milwaukee County

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COUNTY BOARD TO OBSERVE DENIM DAY THIS WEDNESDAY

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Supervisor Peggy A. Romo West is proud to sponsor the County Board's first-ever Denim Day to support victims of sexual assault. Supervisors, other County elected officials, and County Board Staff have been invited to wear Denim this Wednesday, April 25, to support this cause.

Supervisors Gerry Broderick and Russell Stamper, II, have agreed to join Supervisor Romo West in wearing denim on Wednesday.

“Denim Day is a great way for us to spread the word and raise awareness of supporting survivors of sexual assault,” Supervisor Romo West said. “I thank Chairwoman Dimitrijevic and my County Board colleagues who are supporting this initiative.”

Denim Day is a symbolic gesture, observed on an annual basis that recalls an Italian court case that sparked international outrage when judges did not convict a rapist because the victim wore jeans. The judges ruled that because the victim was wearing tight jeans, she must have helped her attacker remove them, thus implying consent.

Now in its 13th year, Denim Day is held each April during Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Millions of supporters are expected to observe Denim Day across the nation on Wednesday.

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