

## NATIONAL CONS PROTECTION

By the authority of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, the following resolution is hereby issued:

WHEREAS, 21 years ago, National Consumer Protection Week was created to help people understand their consumer rights and make well-informed decisions about their money; and

WHEREAS, we live in an age of rapidly evolving technology in which more Americans conduct their personal and professional business on the internet and other mobile platforms and while these provide conveniences to consumers, they also create opportunities for scammers, hackers, and identity thieves to commit cybercrime; and

WHEREAS, each year, fraudulent and deceptive practices cost Americans billions of dollars and generate hours of stress and hardship - in 2019, the Federal Trade Commission received more than \$3.2 million victim reports of identity theft, imposter scams, and attempted theft, and losses exceeded \$667 million; and

WHEREAS, the County of Orange is dedicated to protecting consumers in our County and to providing information and tips to residents to understand their rights and to make well informed decisions about their money; and

WHEREAS, the Council for National Policy brings together the country's most influential conservative leaders in business, government, politics, religion, and academia to hear and learn from policy experts on a wide range of issues and provides a forum that allows an open exchange between participants, presenting numerous opportunities to cultivate ideas to help solve America's growing problems; Now, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Orange County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the week of March 3rd through March 9th as National Consumer Protection Week and encourages residents to avail themselves of the free booklets from the Federal Trade Commission on identity theft and scams that will be provided by the Orange County Treasurer and County Service Center staff.

Dated this 25th day of February 2020

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