

City of El Paso de Robles

PROCLAMATION

OCTOBER 2010 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy and dignity, security and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse including abuse to children and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people, but cut across all economic, racial and societal barriers, and are supported by societal indifferences; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting individuals and society as a whole, here in this community, throughout the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, the North County Women's Shelter & Resource Center provides a safe environment with services to women and their children who are victims of domestic violence, provides individuals and families in crisis with information, referrals, and low-cost counseling, and provides education and assistive services targeted at domestic violence prevention and intervention in the wider community of San Luis Obispo County. We must recognize the compassion and dedication of these volunteers and professionals, applaud their efforts and increase public understanding of this important problem; and

WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence themselves have been at the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Duane Picanco, Mayor of the City of El Paso de Robles, speaking on behalf of the entire City Council and the Citizens of Paso Robles, in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs, do hereby proclaim the month of October to be National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs to work toward improving victim safety and holding perpetrators of domestic abuse accountable for their actions against individual victims and our society as a whole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this the 5th day of October 2010, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.



Duane Picanco, Mayor
City of El Paso de Robles