

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH October 2014

WHEREAS, Violence against women and children continues to become more

prevalent as a social problem due to the imbalance of power due to

gender and age; and

WHEREAS, The problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or

groups of people but cross all economic, racial, affectionate preference, and societal barriers; and supported by societal

indifference; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy,

dignity, security, and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse;

and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting

women and children and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, it is battered women themselves that have been in the forefront of

efforts to bring peace and equality to the home;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs and victims' service providers, that we, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester Hills do hereby designate the month of October 2014 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all citizens to work towards the elimination of personal and institutional violence against women and girls.

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