



Proclamation

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH *October 2023*

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence affects millions, both woman and men, of every race, religion, culture and status. It's not just punches and black eyes. It's yelling, humiliation, stalking, manipulation, coercion, threats and isolation. It's stealing a paycheck, keeping tabs online, non-stop texting, constant use of the silent treatment, or calling someone stupid and so often they believe it;

Whereas, since the Violence Against Woman Act passed in 1994, society has come a long way. This landmark legislation, led by then Senator Joe Biden, combined new provisions that hold offenders accountable and provide programs and services for victims.

Whereas, between 1993 and 2010, the overall rate of domestic violence dropped nearly two-thirds and state laws have reformed to address issues such as dating abuse in the workplace, stalking, employment discrimination and more;

Whereas, every October, community members rededicate themselves to breaking the cycle. Nearly three out of four Americans personally know someone who is or has been a victim of domestic violence. Now is time to take a stand.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM **OCTOBER 2023 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH** in the City of San Fernando, and urges all citizens to support survivors and speak out against domestic violence during the month of October and beyond.




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