## **PROCLAMATION**

## Domestic Violence Awareness Month October 2025 Safe Passage

Whereas, Domestic Violence Awareness Months calls attention to the fact that domestic violence is widespread and impacts every person in the community; and

**Whereas,** domestic violence and intimate partner violence impacts our community, and statistics show over 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men in the United States have experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetime; and

Whereas, in the United States, intimate partner violence results in nearly 1,300 deaths every year. More than three women are killed by their intimate partner every day; and

Whereas, the theme of this year's Domestic Violence Awareness Month's campaign is "Love Shouldn't Hurt". The campaign calls on new partners and community members to help expand domestic violence prevention and awareness efforts to ensure the next generation fosters attitudes that promote healthy relationships, equality, and respect.

**Therefore,** I, Denise Griffin, Mayor of the City of Bandera, Texas, join Safe Passage and advocates across the country in taking action to prevent domestic violence, and do hereby proclaim the month of October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the City of Bandera, reminding everyone that each day of the year is an opportunity to create change for the future.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF BANDERA TO BE AFFIXED ON THIS OCTOBER 14, 2025.

