

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS,** Domestic violence is a prevalent societal problem harming victims, their children, family, friends communities at large; and,
- **WHEREAS,** Domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all race, age, gender, economic, religious, educational, societal barriers, and income level; and,
- WHEREAS, Domestic violence is defined as abusive behavior in a personal relationship that gives one member control and power over another through physical, emotional, sexual, economic or psychological actions or threats; and,
- WHEREAS, 1 in 3 women, and 1 in 4 men will experience domestic violence during her lifetime, about 1 in 10 teenagers will face deliberate violence from someone they are dating, and about 1 in 15 children are exposed to intimate partner violence in the home each year; and,
- **WHEREAS,** In Oregon, 39.8% of women and 36.2% of men experience intimate partner domestic violence in their lifetimes; and,
- WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and for increasing the public's awareness of domestic violence;

NOW THEREFORE, I Nancy Bell, Mayor of the City of Coburg, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2023 as **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** in the City of Coburg. Residents are encourage to observe this month by gaining awareness about the societal problem of domestic violence throughout our community and its devastating effects on families and communities.

	Proclaimed this 12 th day of September, 2023 Nancy Bell, Mayor
Attest:	
Sammy L. Egbert, City Recorder	