

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women between the ages of 15 to 44; and

WHEREAS, between 2009 and 2022 in Arizona, 1,459 people lost their lives due to domestic violence according to the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence; and

WHEREAS, female crime victims are nearly twice as likely to be injured by an intimate partner than by a stranger; and

WHEREAS, 41% of women and 26% of men report being physically or sexually abused by an intimate partner at some point in their lives, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

WHEREAS, domestic violence has injured and taken the lives of our friends, colleagues and family members and affects our entire community; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence education, prevention, advocacy, enforcement and prosecution need increased public attention and support; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and wellbeing of women and children is now and must always continue to be, one of our community's highest priorities.

WHEREAS, freedom from domestic violence is a fundamental human right and transcends race, national origin and citizenship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Donald C. Huish, Mayor and on behalf of the City of Douglas Council do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2023 to be

Domestic Violence Awareness Month



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Douglas to be affixed this 11th day of October 2023.

Donald Huish, Mayor

DONE at the City of Douglas on this eleventh day of October in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Seven.

Attest:

Alma Andrade, City Clerk