

PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2023 AS

"National Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

- WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates the basic human rights of safety and dignity, and 204 Texans were killed in an intimate partner homicide including 169 women and 35 men; and
- **WHEREAS,** the problem of domestic violence is not confined to any group of people but cuts across all economic, racial, gender and societal barriers; and
- WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence and teen dating violence directly affects individuals and communities when society ignores or tolerates violence in relationships; and
- **WHEREAS,** last year Hays-Caldwell Women's Center provided face-to-face services to over 978 local victims of domestic violence and provided 8,093 days of shelter; and
- **WHEREAS,** last year Hays-Caldwell Women's Center provided these direct services to 18 victims from the Dripping Springs community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City of Dripping Springs City Council:

- 1. That October 2023 shall be known as "National Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in City of Dripping Springs, Texas.
- 2. The City Council encourages the community to work together with Hays-Caldwell Women's Center and local partners to bring an end to domestic violence.

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor