

Staff Report

Subject: Proclamation honoring October as Domestic Violence Awareness
Author: Stephanie Johnson, County Clerk
Department: Administration
Meeting Date: October 7, 2025
Item Description: Consideration to approve a Proclamation honoring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Executive Summary:

The Board of Commissioners commonly supports initiatives that provide awareness of organizations and associations dedicated to encouraging positivity, leadership and community service and service excellence.

Background:

Safe Haven was founded in May 1987 when concerned individuals recognized the need for advocacy to those affected by domestic violence within the local community. Safe Haven provides services in Bulloch, Candler, Effingham, Jenkins, Screven and Washington counties.

A nonprofit 501(c)(3) program of Citizens Against Violence, Inc. was established and has decided sweat equity to ending the cycle of family violence through prevention and education programs, at no charge to the individuals affected by domestic violence – 24 hours per day, 7 days a week.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve the Proclamation as presented.
2. To not approve the Proclamation.

Recommended Alternative: Staff recommend Alternative number 1

Other Alternatives: N/A

Department Review: Administration

Funding Source: No funding is required.

Attachments:

1. Proclamation