## A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF HILSHIRE VILLAGE, TEXAS IN RECOGNITION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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WHEREAS, The City of Hilshire Village recognizes the important work done by survivors, domestic violence programs and victim service providers; and

WHEREAS, in just one day, across the U.S. and its territories, nearly 75,000 victims of domestic violence sought services from domestic violence programs and shelters. That same day, more than 9,000 requests for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare and legal representation, could not be provided because programs lacked the resources to meet victims' needs; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting individuals and society as a whole, here in this community, throughout the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, racism, homophobia, transphobia, ageism and discrimination based on physical ability, nationality or other factors help to perpetuate domestic violence and make finding safety even more difficult for some victims; and

WHEREAS, the need for safe housing continues to be rated as survivors' most urgent need; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The City of Hilshire Village joins with others across Texas and the nation in supporting victims of domestic violence, as well as local programs, state coalitions, national organizations, and other agencies nationwide who are committed to increasing public awareness of domestic violence and sending a clear message to abusers that domestic violence is not tolerated in Hilshire Village; and

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my signature and the seal of the City of Hilshire Village, this <u>18<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>October</u> <u>2022</u>.

Attest

Robert F. Buesinger, Mayor

Susan Blevins, City Secretary

