

**Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month
City of Madison Heights
October 2024**

Whereas, Domestic Violence Awareness Month is observed in October to raise awareness about domestic violence, a serious issue affecting individuals and families in our community; and

Whereas, according to the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, approximately 1 in 4 women and 1 in 9 men in Michigan experience severe intimate partner physical violence, highlighting the urgent need for education, prevention, and support; and

Whereas, in Michigan, nearly 60% of domestic violence victims report experiencing multiple incidents, demonstrating the cyclical nature of abuse and the importance of providing resources and assistance to those affected; and

Whereas, the Michigan State Police reported over 70,000 incidents of domestic violence in the past year, underscoring the pervasive nature of this issue across our state; and

Whereas, the City of Madison Heights is committed to fostering a community free from violence, providing support for victims, and promoting healthy relationships through education and advocacy; and

Whereas, local organizations, such as HAVEN and OCHN, and other community resources, play a vital role in providing shelter, counseling, and support for those affected by domestic violence;

Now, therefore, the Mayor of the City of Madison Heights, along with the City Council, do hereby proclaim October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the City of Madison Heights. We encourage all citizens to work together to raise awareness, support victims, and promote prevention efforts, and we call upon all community members to join in this important cause.



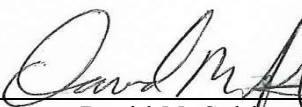
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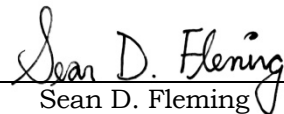
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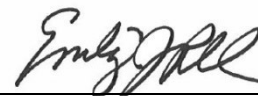
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