



Denis Law Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic control and/or abuse; and

Whereas, it has been estimated that every nine seconds a woman is beaten by her husband or boyfriend in this country and, in more than half of those instances, children under the age of 12 are present; and

Whereas, more than half of abusers responsible for domestic violence related fatal shootings were prohibited by law from owning firearms; and

Whereas, domestic violence does not discriminate and crosses all economic, racial, gender, educational, religious, and societal barriers and is sustained by indifference; and

Whereas, the City of Renton is working to improve the overall response to and the reduction of domestic violence in our region with awareness to the cultural differences in our community; and

Whereas, October is nationally recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month;

Now, therefore, I, Denis Law, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim October 2019 to be

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

in the City of Renton, and I encourage everyone in our community to take an active role in supporting all victims so they can lead healthy lives safe from violent and abusive behavior.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 7th day of October, 2019.

Denis Law, Mayor
City of Renton, Washington

