



Armondo Pavone 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*, one in fifteen children has been exposed to domestic violence each year, and ninety percent of the children are exposed to this violence; 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 an awareness of the cultural differences in our community; and

*Whereas*, domestic violence is one of the most dangerous calls for law enforcement and the safety of those involved along with the community is a critical situation; and


*Whereas*, October is nationally recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and on October 10, we encourage the community to wear purple to create awareness about domestic violence in our community;

*Now, therefore*, I, Armondo Pavone, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim October 2022 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 10th day of October, 2022.

  
Armondo Pavone, Mayor  
City of Renton

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