

Sample Proclamation: Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Whereas, domestic violence impacts countless New Yorkers, without regard to age, race, religion, or economic status; as victims suffer at the hands of a spouse or partner, it affects their children, families, and entire communities; and

Whereas [municipality-specific information and commitment to issue]

Whereas [highlight local statistics if available]

Whereas [describe municipality-specific activity and awareness efforts]

Whereas [describe services available in the community to assist victims]

Whereas, [municipality] joins with others across New York State and the Nation in supporting victims of domestic violence and share the worthy goals of this month-long observance, and likewise support the work of public and private entities that strive to provide the best coordinated response to domestic violence in communities across this state, sending a loud and clear message to abusers that domestic violence is not tolerated in [municipality];

Now, Therefore, I, [municipality executive name, title], do hereby proclaim October [year] as

Domestic Violence Awareness Month in [municipality]