

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender, and income levels; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is widespread and affects over four million Americans each year; and

WHEREAS, one in three Americans has witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, children who grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and

WHEREAS, only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to victims;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek hereby proclaims the month of October 2010 as

"DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Coconut Creek, and urges all citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed this 26th day of August 2010.

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