

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *domestic violence affects all New Yorkers, and its damage not only affects its victims, but their children, family and communities; sadly, far too many people suffer abuse at the hands of their domestic partner, and these victims can be any age, race, religion or economic status; and*

WHEREAS, *the Town of Blooming Grove, will pledge to take decisive steps to strengthen policies and laws to hold domestic violence offenders accountable, while increasing measures that ensure the safety of victims and their children and to keep the community safe through our legal, law enforcement, human services, education and health care systems; and*

WHEREAS, *the Town of Blooming Grove recognizes the importance of a comprehensive community response and is dedicated to increasing public awareness and understanding of domestic violence and teen dating violence, through campaigns and expert material and resources that will provide extensive knowledge for the community; and*

WHEREAS, *the Town of Blooming Grove joins in and stands up with all New Yorkers in support of domestic violence victims, and share the worthy goals of this month-long observance of Domestic Violence Awareness, and likewise, supports the work of Orange County Safe Homes, which consistently strives to provide the best coordinated response to domestic violence in communities across Orange County, therefore, sending a strong and unwavering message to abusers that domestic violence will not be tolerated; and*

WHEREFORE, *the Town of Blooming Grove does hereby resolve and proclaim the month of September as:*

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

*Signed and Sealed this
27th day of September, 2010*

ATTEST:

Frank Fornario, Town Supervisor

Brandon Nielsen, Deputy Supervisor

Michele Murphy, Town Board Member

Barbara Decker, Town Clerk

Wayne Kirkpatrick, Town Board Member

Kathy Wells-Calhoun, Town Board Member