



Village of Port Chester New York

Official Proclamation

- 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 4 million Americans each year; and,
- WHEREAS:** One in three Americans have witnessed incidents of domestic violence and children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and,
- WHEREAS:** Children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and,
- WHEREAS:** Domestic Violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and non-productivity; 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.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED: That I, Dennis G. Pilla, Mayor of the Village of Port Chester, on behalf of the Board of Trustees and our entire community, do hereby proclaim that henceforth the month of October 2010 shall be recognized as:

“DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH”

in the Village of Port Chester, New York and urge our citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

Dated Port Chester, N.Y. October 1, 2010

Mayor