## **A Proclamation**

Domestic violence is a serious crime affecting all races, ages, genders, and income levels. It is widespread and affects over 4 million Americans every year. Domestic violence is serious on so many levels, but one of those levels is of utmost concern and that is the fact that violence generates more violence and the cycle doesn't break unless action is taken.

The Domestic Violence Awareness Project supports the rights of all individuals, especially women and children, to live in peace and dignity. They advocate for the elimination of violence and all forms of oppression against communities and families. In order to do this, public awareness campaigns, strategies, resources, and technical assistance is used to carry the message forward that <u>domestic</u> <u>abuse must stop</u>!

Now, therefore, I, Patrick Liston, Mayor of Baraboo proclaim the month of October, 2010 as

## **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

and I urge our citizens to learn more about how to prevent this crime and to support those organizations who make the elimination of domestic violence their life's work.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2010.

Patrick	Liston,	Mayor	of	Baraboo	