

Proclamation



WHEREAS, the residents of Pompano Beach are this city's most precious resource and ensuring their safety, well-being and positive development is a priority and a responsibility that we all share; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have been victims of physical violence by an intimate partner within their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the exposure of young children to such violence is occurring at an alarming rate; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Advisory Board on Child Abuse and Neglect suggests that domestic violence may be the single major precursor to child abuse and fatalities in this country; and

WHEREAS, Women In Distress of Broward County, Inc. is the only nationally accredited, state-certified, full service domestic violence center, serving Broward County, through a 24-hour Crisis Intervention Hotline and Emergency Shelter, as well as offering counseling and support for victims and their children; and


WHEREAS, by providing individuals with education about healthy relationships, and by changing attitudes that support violence, we work to stop domestic violence for Pompano Beach residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor of Pompano Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2017 as:

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Pompano Beach and urge all residents to respond to and work toward ending domestic violence by supporting their communities' efforts to empower and assist victims in finding and accessing the resources they need, and by promoting awareness and prevention of domestic violence in our community.

Dated this 24th day of October, 2017.


LAMAR FISHER
MAYOR

