



## CITY OF BLAINE

# P ROCLAMATION

### DECLARING OCTOBER AS NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, the community problem of domestic violence has become a critical public health and welfare concern in Anoka County; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is a crime, the commission of which will not be tolerated in Anoka County and perpetrators of said crime are subject to prosecution and conviction in accordance with the law; and

**WHEREAS**, over thousands of women and children have and will continue to access assistance from Alexandra House, Inc., a domestic violence service provider; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence will be eliminated through community partnerships of concerned individuals and organizations working together to prevent abuse while at the same time effecting social and legal change; and

**WHEREAS**, October is *National Domestic Violence Awareness Month*; and

**WHEREAS**, during *National Domestic Violence Awareness Month*, Anoka County organizations will inform area residents about domestic violence, its prevalence, consequences and what we, as a concerned community, can do to eliminate its existence.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Blaine City Council hereby proclaims October 2016 to be *National Domestic Violence Awareness Month* in the City of Blaine.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Blaine to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016

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Tom Ryan, Mayor