



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, one in four women and one in seven men have been victims of severe physical violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime; and
- WHEREAS,** nearly 600 domestic violence-related incidents were reported to Redmond Police Department in 2021; and
- WHEREAS,** the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting individuals and society, here in this community, throughout the United States and the world; and
- WHEREAS,** racism, homophobia, transphobia, ageism, and discrimination based on physical ability, nationality, or other factors help to perpetuate domestic violence and make finding safety even more difficult for some victims; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Redmond joins with others across the state and nation in supporting victims of domestic violence, as well as local programs, state coalitions, national organizations, and other agencies nationwide who are committed to increasing public awareness of domestic violence and sending a clear message to abusers that domestic violence is not tolerated in the City of Redmond; and
- WHEREAS,** education, prevention, and intervention efforts to end domestic violence are imperative to not only protect survivors but also to increase public awareness of the severity and extent of domestic violence.

THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2022, as,

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

in Redmond. I urge all residents to speak out against domestic violence and support efforts to prevent and end domestic abuse and increase public awareness of, and action on, this issue. We encourage survivors, their loved ones, and concerned residents to learn more by calling the LifeWire Helpline at 425-746-1940 or by visiting www.lifewire.org.



Angela Birney, Mayor

October 4, 2022

Date