



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

October 2018

WHEREAS, Domestic violence is the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and or other abusive behavior as part of a systematic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another; and

WHEREAS, On average, nearly 20 people per minute are victims of physical violence by an intimate partner in the United States, equating to over 10 million women and men; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 18 men have been victims of severe physical violence by an intimate partner within their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, On a typical day, there are more than 20,000 phone calls placed to domestic violence hotlines nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Mukilteo Police Officers make more arrests for domestic violence each year than they do for DUI, with much less attention to the issue; in Washington state in 2017 domestic violence offenses made up to 50.4% of all Crimes Against Persons; and

WHEREAS, Domestic violence is an epidemic affecting individuals in every community, regardless of age, economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Jennifer Gregerson, Mayor of Mukilteo, proclaim October 2018 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and ask all Mukilteans to speak out against domestic violence and support local efforts to assist victims of these crimes in finding the help and healing they need.



Signed this 5th Day of September, 2018

Jennifer Gregerson
Mayor