

# Proclamation

**Whereas,** anyone can become a victim of domestic violence. One in four women and one in seven men in the United States will experience domestic violence in their lifetimes; and

**Whereas,** while there has been significant progress in addressing domestic violence, domestic violence remains all too common and is incompatible with healthy relationships. Breaking the cycle of domestic violence requires a focused and coordinated community response; and

**Whereas,** in 2021, 212 domestic violence-related calls were reported to the Alameda Police Department from every neighborhood in Alameda; and

**Whereas,** in many cases, traumatized children are the silent victims in homes where domestic violence occurs; and

**Whereas,** the City of Alameda's Domestic Violence Task Force, comprised of Building Futures, Alameda Police Department, Alameda Hospital, the City of Alameda, Family Violence Law Center, Alameda Family Services, Alameda Point Collaborative, Alameda's Social Service Human Relations Board, Girls Incorporated of the Island City, and Alameda Boys & Girls Club, coordinates domestic violence prevention and intervention services in the City of Alameda and conducts outreach activities during Domestic Violence Awareness Month to help create a domestic violence-free community; and

**Whereas,** as we continue the essential work of ending domestic violence, we can all help build a culture where the abuse is not tolerated and where survivors are heard, supported, and protected.

**Now, therefore be it resolved,** that I, Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, Mayor of the City of Alameda, hereby proclaim the month of October 2022 to be

## Domestic Violence Awareness Month

in the City of Alameda and encourage Alameda residents to increase their awareness of this serious health and safety issue.



Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft  
Mayor

