Proclamation

Whereas, on October 19, 2021, the Alameda City Council recognized that domestic violence is incompatible with healthy relationships, and that breaking the cycle of domestic violence requires a focused and coordinated community response and passed a resolution declaring that protection against domestic violence is a fundamental human right; and

Whereas, in 2020, 165 domestic violence-related calls were reported to the Alameda Police Department, from every neighborhood in Alameda; and

Whereas, one in four women, and one in ten men in the United States have experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner; and

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

Whereas, law enforcement officials, mental health and public health professionals, non-profit agencies, and faith-based organizations help those in need; 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, conducts outreach activities during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to help create a domestic violence-free community.

Pow, therefore be it resolved, that I, Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, Mayor of the City of Alameda, hereby proclaim the month of October 2021 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.

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