



Fremont County Board of Commissioners

Proclamation

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH OCTOBER 2024

WHEREAS, 1 in every 4 women, and 1 in every 7 men will experience domestic violence during her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, approximately 15.5 million children are exposed to domestic violence every year; and

WHEREAS, when a family member is abused, it can have long-term damaging effects on the victim that also leave a mark on family, friends, and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, the problem of domestic violence is not confined to any group or groups of people, but crosses all economic, racial, gender, educational, religious, and societal barriers, and is sustained by societal indifference; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic control and/or abuse; and

WHEREAS, victims should have help to find the compassion, comfort, and healing they need, and domestic abusers should be punished to the full extent of the law; and

WHEREAS, victims of violence should have access to medical and legal services, counseling, emergency and transitional housing, and other supportive services so that they can escape the cycle of abuse; and

WHEREAS, important partnerships have been formed among criminal and juvenile justice agencies, healthcare providers, allied professionals, and victim services to assist victims of domestic violence and their families; and

WHEREAS, we dedicate ourselves to protecting vulnerable members of our community; and

WHEREAS, Fremont County has a moral obligation to work to prevent domestic violence, address its brutal and destructive effects and make ending domestic violence a local priority;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED by the County Commissioners of Fremont County that October 2024, is hereby designated as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The County Commissioners urge all people of Fremont County to actively support Family Crisis Services' work towards the elimination of domestic violence.

Signed this 24th Day of September, 2024.

Kevin Grantham

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District 3 Commissioner