

PROCLAMATION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH OCTOBER 2015

WHEREAS, last year in Illinois, domestic violence homicide incidents took the lives of 84 individuals in Illinois, 15 of which were children; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence touches the lives of every citizen of Hanover Park. It harms our community, weakens our families, puts our children in harm's way, and negatively impacts our schools and businesses; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence leaves emotional scars and creates a destructive cycle of violence where those who witnessed abuse as children may become involved in abusive relationships as adults or become abusers themselves; and

WHEREAS, we can work together to break the cycle of violence, change attitudes that support violence, and build a community that is safe for everyone; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to set aside a special time to bring this issue to the attention of all residents of the Village of Hanover Park so they can become better informed and involved in programs to eliminate this problem from our society and they can become empowered to report violence when they see it; and

NOW, THEREFORE I, Rodney S. Craig, Village President of the Village of Hanover Park, do hereby proclaim the month of

October 2015

as

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

in the Village of Hanover Park, and encourage our residents to join forces with victim service programs, criminal justice officials and concerned citizens across the country to raise the public awareness of domestic violence issues as we recommit to making everyone's home a safe place for them.

Dated this 15th day of October, 2015.


Village President

Attest:


Village Clerk