



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

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Title

Proclaiming October 2022 to be Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Body

WHEREAS, according to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, domestic violence, or intimate partner violence, is “a pattern of behaviors used by one partner to maintain power and control over another partner in an intimate relationship”; and,

WHEREAS, NISVS data reports that on average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States, which equates to more than 10 million people per year; and,

WHEREAS, intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime; and,

WHEREAS, 1 in 2 female murder victims and 1 in 13 male murder victims are killed by an intimate partner; and,

WHEREAS, in 2019, there were 52 domestic partner homicides in Wisconsin; 56% of these homicides were committed with a firearm; and,

WHEREAS, a 2015 study found that 1 in 4 women at the University of Wisconsin-Madison experience sexual assault since entering college; and,

WHEREAS, according to the 2022 UWPD Annual Security and Fire Safety Report, rapes on campus have doubled;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Madison Common Council and Mayor recognize October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that throughout the month of October, the City of Madison, along with communities across the country, will mourn for those whose lives were taken by domestic violence, celebrate the tremendous progress victim advocates have made over the years, and connect with one another with a true sense of unity to end domestic violence.

Sources & Resources

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