

PROCLAMATION



Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month evolved from the "Day of Unity" in October 1981 observed by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence inflicts significant, long-lasting trauma on individuals of all ages, identities, cultures, religions, and socioeconomic backgrounds, with survivors enduring not only physical and emotional abuse but also profound social and economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, by observing Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we seek to increase awareness of incidents of violence in the home, focusing on the victims of domestic violence and their children, who have suffered emotional and physical abuse; and

WHEREAS, through the inspiration, courage, and persistence of survivors of domestic abuse and violence, their children and advocates, legislation has been enacted to provide protection and services for future victims and their children; and

WHEREAS, the achievements of those working to end domestic violence throughout the city, state, and nation, together with the continuing efforts of local agencies to assist victims of domestic violence and to prevent future violence in our communities, are to be commended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

in Appleton and encourage residents to take part in activities that honor the memory of those who have lost their lives to domestic violence, celebrate the strength and resilience of survivors, and support the efforts of those who work tirelessly to end violence in our communities.

Signed and sealed this 9th day of October 2025.

JACOB A. WOODFORD
MAYOR OF APPLETON



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