

City of Commerce City, Colorado



Proclamation



WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender, and income levels; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is widespread and affects over four million Americans each year; and

WHEREAS, one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, despite great progress each day, an average of three women in the US die as a result of domestic violence. One in four women and one in thirteen men will experience domestic violence in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and non-productivity; and

WHEREAS, only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED by the Mayor, Sean Ford and City Council of the City of Commerce City, Colorado, proclaims the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge the citizens of Commerce City to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed on the second day of October, 2017.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Sean Ford, Mayor

