



BONNEY Lake PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month is held each October to unite advocates across the nation in their efforts to end domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in four women and one in nine men in the U.S. will experience sexual or physical violence or stalking by an intimate partner during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence can happen to anyone and is present in every community, including the Bonney Lake community; and

WHEREAS, patterns of abusive behavior include physical and sexual assault, emotional abuse, isolation from friends and family, monitoring, and controlling another's finances to gain power and control over them; and

WHEREAS, children who grow up in violent homes are likely to also be abused and neglected; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bonney Lake believes that our community, including every residence, should be a place of safety for all individuals; and

WHEREAS, the City's Office of the Prosecuting Attorney prosecutes domestic violence related cases to hold perpetrators accountable for their actions; and

WHEREAS, the City helps victims obtain resources and discuss safety plans; and

WHEREAS, the City is grateful for the remarkable people and organizations that offer care and critical services to survivors of domestic violence, and remains committed to building a community where all people can feel safe and respected and live free from abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Michael McCullough, Mayor of Bonney Lake, with the full backing and encouragement of the entirety of the Bonney Lake City Council, do hereby proclaim that Bonney Lake declares October as:

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

in the city of Bonney Lake and encourages all citizens to actively stand against domestic violence in our community.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Bonney Lake to be affixed this 10th day of October 2023.


Michael McCullough, Mayor