

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

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***Town of Franklin
PROCLAMATION
Domestic Violence Awareness Month
October 2010***

Whereas, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects over four million people of all races, ages, genders, and income levels each year;

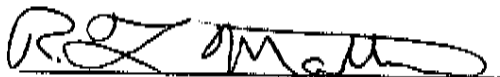
Whereas, one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence;

Whereas, children who grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected;

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

Whereas, only a coordinated community effort will prevent domestic violence;

Now, Therefore, I, the First Selectman of the Town of Franklin, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2010 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and encourage all residents to learn more about preventing domestic violence, to show support for the individuals and organizations who provide advocacy and assistance to victims, and to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.



Richard L. Matters, First Selectman

*Dated this 9th Day of August, 2010 at Franklin, Connecticut.
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