

# VILLAGE OF EAST AURORA

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## PROCLAMATION DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, violence in the home is a problem that encompasses all racial, religious, ethnic and economic groups; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of October, local, state, and national domestic violence agencies will sponsor events to promote the awareness of domestic violence; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is widespread and affects over 4 million Americans each year; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of October we urge our citizens to support programs in our community that highlight domestic violence awareness issues, and educate themselves about the problem of domestic violence; and

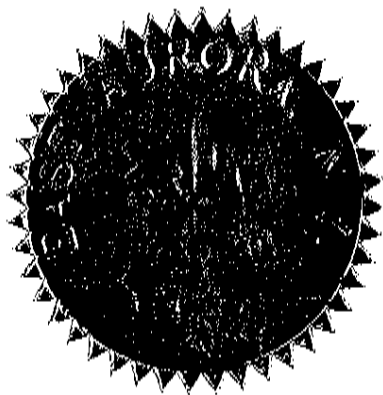
**WHEREAS**, children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and

**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 excellent 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, I MAYOR, ALLAN A. KASPRZAK**, do hereby proclaim the month of October as **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH** and urge our citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of East Aurora, New York to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2010.

  
Allan A. Kasprzak, Mayor of East Aurora