

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 4 million Americans each year; and,
- Whereas,** one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and,
- Whereas,** children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a higher rate 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 and 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, Ray Sanders, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Lockhart, do hereby proclaim

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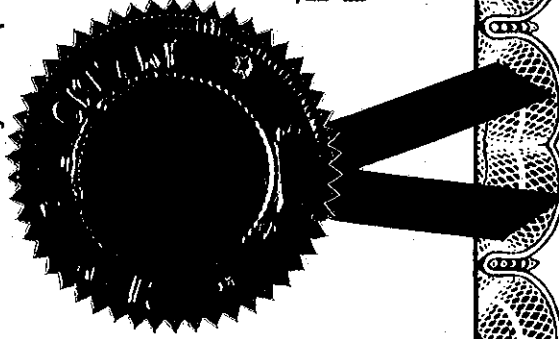
“Domestic Violence Awareness Month”


And urge our citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lockhart, Texas this 2nd day of September, 2010.

Attest:


Connie A. Rodriguez, TRMC
City Secretary




Ray Sanders
Mayor