

**Proclamation Proclaiming
October 2017 as
National Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

WHEREAS, in 1991, the New Jersey Legislature found and declared that domestic violence is a serious crime against society; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence affects people of all ages, races, genders, income levels, and sexual identities; and

WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence must deal with the effects of physical injuries, psychological damage, financial barriers, and trouble finding safe housing; and

WHEREAS, everyone should be free from violence; and

WHEREAS, no one should feel unsafe in their own home; and

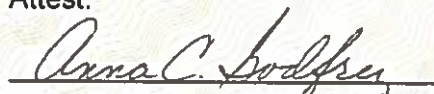
WHEREAS, domestic violence will not be eliminated without a concerted effort amongst the community at large.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Klingel, Mayor of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, in conjunction with the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County, do hereby proclaim October 2017 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Washington Township and urge residents to work together to raise awareness of this important issue and support those who have been victimized.

Proclaimed this 19th day of September, 2017


Robert Klingel, Mayor

Attest:


Anna C. Godfrey, RMC