

**PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING
THE DOMESTIC ABUSE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT
CRISIS CENTER'S MEDIA LITERACY PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, over the past 30 years, the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center has sheltered 3,000 women and children, responded to over 120,000 hotline calls, and provided counseling to over 30,000 survivors; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Interpersonal Violence Prevention Coalition (IVPC) has determined that Media Literacy: Gender, Race and Sexuality should be initiated to assist adults and students in the development of critical thinking skills related to the analysis and deconstruction of media in order to reduce harmful and rigid gender and racial stereotypes that can ultimately lead to a culture that perpetuates sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, we, as the community, wish to shift the culture and reduce violence, express support for survivors of violence, and actively contribute to a culture of safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Washington, County of Warren urges our citizens to participate in the Media Literacy Program training and provide their support to help eliminate all forms of power based personal violence.

Proclaimed this 21st day of January, 2014.


Robert Klingel, Mayor