10/3/23

RESOLUTION NO. 13, 1465

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime affecting individuals and families in all Siouxland communities; all races, ages, income levels, lifestyles and genders; and in fact, is probably affecting someone you know; and every 9 seconds someone experiences the crime of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, one in three women and one in nine men will be a victim of violence in their lifetime; domestic violence violates an individual's human rights by destroying dignity, security, and self-worth due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic control or abuse; SafePlace works every day to help end these acts of violence and to help rebuild the lives of the survivors; and

WHEREAS, in Siouxland, SafePlace is available 24 hours a day every day of the year and last year responded to nearly 2,700 victims fleeing domestic abuse and despite high census and a global pandemic, no one in an unsafe situation was turned away; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence affects all the members of the community, and only a coordinated community response will put a stop to these atrocious crimes and assure funding is continuously available to provide these lifesaving services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, Woodbury County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2023 as

"DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH"

in Woodbury County, lowa and urge all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled events and programs and to think about the fact that it is someone you know.

BE IT SO RESOLVED this 3rd day of October, 2023.

Matthew A. Ung, Chairman

Mark E. Nelson, Member

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Jeremy J. Taylor, Member

Keith W. Radig, Member

Daniel A. Bittinger II, Member

Attest:

Patrick F. Gill, Woodbury County Auditor