

**PROCLAMATION
FOR
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

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 witnesses an incident 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, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Center Line hereby proclaims **October 2010** as **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** in the City of Center Line, and urge our citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Motion to adopt the above Proclamation proclaiming October 2010 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month", and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as Amended, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

John B. Michrina
City Clerk
City of Center Line

Date: September 14, 2010