

Proclamation

"DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH" FEBRUARY 2010

WHEREAS: Dating violence is a reality for many youth, and an issue that many are unaware of. 1 in 3 young people are affected by physical, sexual, or verbal dating violence, with 1 in 5 in a serious relationship reporting having been slapped, pushed, hit, threatened, or coerced by a partner. Breakups can be a time of even greater risk even when a relationship was never physically abusive; and

WHEREAS: Young people can choose better relationships when they understand that healthy relationships are based on respect and learn to identify early warning signs of an abusive relationship; and

WHEREAS: Elimination of dating violence must be achieved through cooperation of individuals, organizations, and communities. Education of our youth is vital to ending this cycle of physical and emotional abuse; and

WHEREAS: Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing dating violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the City Council of the City of Pueblo, Colorado, and the Board of County Commissioners, by the authority vested in us, do hereby officially proclaim February 2010 as "DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH" in the City of Pueblo, Colorado.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seals of the City and County of Pueblo, Colorado, to be affixed this twenty-second day of February 2010.

Lawrence W. Atencio

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President of the City Council

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