

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, dating violence is a reality for many young people and an issue that many may be unaware of; and

WHEREAS, one in three young people are affected by physical, sexual or verbal dating violence, with one in five who are in a serious relationship reporting having been assaulted, threatened or coerced by a partner; and

WHEREAS, young people can make better decisions when they understand that healthy relationships are based on respect and when they learn to identify early warning signs of an abusive relationship; and

WHEREAS, Dating Violence Awareness 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, I, Roger Wheeler, Sr., Mayor of Kennett, Missouri, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2010 to be

DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH IN KENNETT, MO

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of Kennett, Missouri, this 16th day of February, 2010.



Roger Wheeler, Sr.

Roger Wheeler, Sr., Mayor

Attest:

Brenda S. Privett

Brenda S. Privett, City Clerk