TOWN OF EDGEWOOD

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, dating violence is a reality for many youth, and an issue that many are unaware of; and,

WHEREAS, 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 and 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; 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 THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I Robert Stearley, Mayor for the Town of Edgewood hereby proclaims the month of February, 2010 as Dating Violence Awareness Month.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, by the Town of Edgewood Council, the Governing Body of the Town of Edgewood, at its regular meeting of February 17, 2010.

Honorable Robert Stearley

Mayor

ATTEST:

Estefanie/B. Muller, Clerk-Treasurer