



City of Warwick Mayoral Proclamation

Whereas; Dating violence is a reality for many young people, and an issue that many are unaware of; and,

Whereas; 1 and 3 young people is affected by physical, sexual or verbal dating violence, with 1 in 5 in a serious relationship reporting having been slapped, pushed, hit, threatened of coerced by a partner, and breakup 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, organization, and communities; and,

Whereas; Dating Violence Awareness Months provides and 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, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, I, SCOTT AVEDISIAN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WARWICK, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM

February 2010 as Dating Violence Awareness Month

In the City of Warwick, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of this month.



In recognition whereof I have hereby set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Warwick to be hereunto affixed this 1st day of February 2010.

Scott Avedisian
Mayor