## Proclamation

## "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH" OCTOBER 2024

- WHEREAS, domestic violence is characterized by abusive actions or threats in a personal relationship that seek to control and dominate one partner over another. The abuse can manifest in various forms, including physical, emotional, sexual, economic or psychological harm; and
- WHEREAS, domestic violence in any community can be a hidden and often unrecognized issue that frequently goes unreported to authorities; and
- WHEREAS, it is essential to question the assumptions surrounding domestic violence, take proactive steps to prevent it, and ensure that offenders are held accountable for their actions; and
- WHEREAS, throughout their lives, approximately one in three women and one in four men will experience some form of domestic violence; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Apache Junction, the Apache Junction Police Department, A New Leaf and various agencies, organizations, and state coalitions across Arizona and the nation are dedicated to preventing domestic violence. They do this by promoting awareness campaigns, educating the community, and advocating for the rights of victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chip Wilson, the Mayor of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2024, as

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in Apache Junction, Arizona, and un domestic violence.	ge all citizens to work to	gether to prevent
Signed and attested to this	day of	, 2024.
WALTER "CHIP" WILSON Mayor		
	ATTEST:	
	JENNIFER PENA	A

City Clerk