Proclamation

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH OCTOBER 2025

WHEREAS, domestic violence is characterized by abusive actions or threats in a

personal relationship that seek to control and dominate one partner over another. Abuse can manifest in various forms, including physical, emotional, sexual, economic or emotional harm; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence in any community can be a hidden and often

unrecognized issue that often goes unreported to authorities; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to question the norms 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, Walter "Chip" Wilson, Mayor of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2025, as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Signed and attested to this ______ day of October 2025.

Walter "Chip" Wilson

Mayor

ATTEST:

Evie McKinney

City Clerk