

Proclamation

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH FEBRUARY 2024

WHEREAS, each year in the U.S., nearly 1.5 million high school students nationwide experience physical abuse from a dating partner; and

WHEREAS, in the U.S., 1 in 3 teens will experience physical, sexual or emotional abuse; and

WHEREAS, only 33% of teens who were in an abusive relationship ever told anyone; and

WHEREAS, teens who suffer dating abuse are subject to long-term consequences like alcoholism, eating disorders, promiscuity, thoughts of suicide, and violent behavior; and

WHEREAS, the City of Apache Junction and the community must work together to ensure the safety of our teens and create a world where every teen can live free of dating violence; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Walter “Chip” Wilson, Mayor of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 2024, as

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Signed and attested to this 16 day of January, 2024.

Walter “Chip” Wilson

Walter “Chip” Wilson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Pena

Jennifer Pena
City Clerk

