

Proclamation

"DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH" **OCTOBER 2017**

WHEREAS, during their lifetime, an estimated 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men have experienced domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Arizona experienced over 100 domestic violence related deaths in 2016; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence in any community may exist as a hidden, silent and often unrecognized reality that is often not reported to authorities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to challenge the assumptions made about domestic violence, become proactive in preventing domestic violence and hold offenders accountable, and

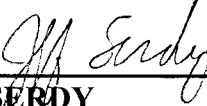
WHEREAS, the City of Apache Junction, the Apache Junction Police Department, the Community Alliance Against Family Abuse (CAAFA) and other agencies, organizations and state coalitions across Arizona and the nation are committed to preventing domestic violence by promoting prevention awareness campaigns, educating the community and advocating for victim's rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Serdy, the Mayor of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2017, as

"DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH"

in Apache Junction, Arizona, and urge all citizens to work together to prevent domestic violence.

Signed and attested to this 6th day of September, 2017.



JEFF SERDY
Mayor

ATTEST:



KATHLEEN CONNELLY
City Clerk

