



## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is a pervasive issue that affects individuals and families across our nation, and the Town of Erie is not immune to its impact; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of October has been designated as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, providing an opportunity for communities to come together to raise awareness, support survivors, and work towards the prevention of domestic violence; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence can take many forms, including physical, emotional, economic, and psychological abuse, and can affect individuals of all backgrounds, regardless of age, gender, race, or socioeconomic status; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential for our community to unite in condemning domestic violence and promoting a culture of respect, empathy, and equality; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Erie Council is committed to fostering an environment that empowers survivors, holds perpetrators accountable, and educates the public about the prevalence and impact of domestic violence;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Justin Brooks, of The Town of Erie do hereby proclaim the month of October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urges all community members to actively participate in events and activities that promote awareness, prevention, and support for those affected by domestic violence.

**I, FURTHER**, that the Town of Erie Council encourages local organizations, schools, businesses, and residents to participate in educational initiatives, outreach programs, and supportive services to elevate awareness about domestic violence and contribute to the creation of a secure and nurturing community for all.

**DATED THIS 24th DAY OF September, 2024**

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**Justin Brooks, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Debbie Stamp, Town Clerk**