



PROCLAMATION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, societal indifference contributes to the endangerment of women and children and to the mistaken belief of batterers that they are within their rights; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people but cross all economic, racial, sexual orientation, and societal barriers; and

WHEREAS, it is the victims who are survivors of abuse themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, affecting society as a whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas Kindig, Mayor of the City of La Vista, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2008 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

and in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs, I urge all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs and to work toward the elimination of personal and institutional violence against women.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the official Seal of the City of La Vista to be affixed this 16th day of September, 2008.



Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC
City Clerk