

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic control and/or abuse; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects one in four women and one in seven men during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, more than half of abusers responsible for domestic violence related fatal shootings were prohibited by law from owning firearms; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence does not discriminate and crosses all economic, racial, gender, educational, religious, and societal barriers, and is sustained by indifference; and

WHEREAS, education, prevention, and intervention efforts to end the cycle of domestic violence are imperative to not only protect survivors but also to increase public awareness of the severity and extent of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, October is nationally recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, hereby proclaim the month of October 2019 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Shoreline, and I encourage everyone in our community to take an active role in supporting all victims so they can lead healthy lives safe from violent and abusive behavior.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Shoreline.



Will Hall, Mayor