PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF
WHEATLAND, CALIFORNIA
HONORING OCTOBER 2017
AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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 leaves an imprint of fear and hostility; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people but cross all economic, racial, affectional preference, and social barriers, thereby affecting society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, in the city of Wheatland, adults and children are victims of violence each year; and

WHEREAS, Wheatland City Council is committed to restoring the right to freedom from fear in our own homes; and

WHEREAS, Wheatland City Council is committed to restoring the right to freedom from fear in our communities; and

WHEREAS, in our quest to impose sanctions on those who break the law by perpetrating violence, we must also meet the needs of victims of domestic violence and their children who often suffer grave financial, physical, and psychological losses; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs, in cooperation with Casa de Esperanza, Inc., I, Rick West, Mayor of the City of Wheatland and on behalf of the entire City Council, does hereby proclaim the month of October 2017 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We urge all citizens, agencies, and businesses to WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM IN OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS, to eliminate domestic violence and become a violence free community.

Rick West, Mayor
REQUESTED PROCLAMATIONS

Wheatland City Council
313 Main Street
Wheatland, CA 95692

Dear Honorable Council Members:

Domestic Violence is a community issue. Domestic Violence is not only in our homes, it is in our schools, churches, hospitals and workplaces. Maybe you or someone you know or a loved one of yours is a victim. What would you do to help them? What will you do to help others? At Casa de Esperanza we are committed to our work to end personal and family violence in our communities. "Safe Homes, Safe Communities".

Each October communities across the nation join together to recognize the existence of Domestic Violence and come together to honor those who have been affected by Domestic Violence with candlelight vigils, walks and awareness campaigns. Purple is the symbolic color for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. THIS YEAR LETS TURN OUR COMMUNITIES PURPLE.

Each year we come before you and request your support in proclaiming October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Each year you have shown your support to the abused and battered women and children of our community through your proclamation. This year we again ask for your support. By working together as a team with our community through prevention and intervention, we hope to attain the goal of minimizing and eventually eliminating domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse.

We ask that your board help us kick off the beginning of the month by adopting a proclamation (example attached). We invite you to wear a purple ribbon and to hang purple ribbons on your home and from your car antenna or mirror during the month of October. Another way to turn our communities purple is to replace your outside lights with a purple light bulb for the month of October. This will be evidence of your personal commitment to ending the tragedy of domestic violence, as well as support of those individuals and agencies that daily fight the battle.

We appreciate the support you have provided in the past and look forward to your continuing support in the future.

If you would like any additional information regarding domestic violence, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (530) 674-5400.

Sincerely,

Linda Hodges
Director, Client Services
Casa de Esperanza
"Safe Homes, Safe Communities"