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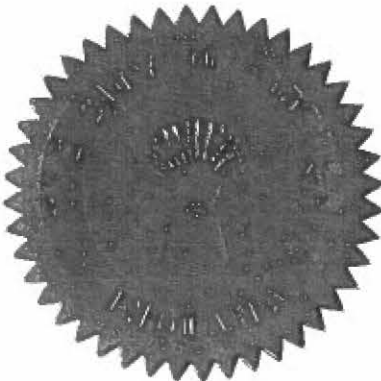
## *Proclamation*


- WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects over four-million people of every race, age, gender, and income level each year; and
- WHEREAS, one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and
- WHEREAS, children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and
- WHEREAS, domestic violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism and non-productivity; and
- WHEREAS, only a coordinated community effort by residents and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to victims will stop this heinous crime.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremy P. Stutsman, Mayor of the City of Goshen, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2016, as

## *Domestic Violence Awareness Month*

in the City of Goshen, and urge all residents to learn more about preventing domestic violence, to show support for the YWCA North Central Indiana Safe Haven, and Child and Parent Services (CAPS), and to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our great city.



  
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Jeremy P. Stutsman, Mayor  
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