

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over their intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic abuse are not confined to any one group of people but effect people across all economic status, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, culture and society; and

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

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide-ranging, directly affecting women, children, men, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, RCS Pinellas has provided support, safety, and advocacy to domestic violence survivors and their children throughout Pinellas County for more than 50 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GARY H. KATICA, Mayor of the Town of Belleair, Florida, do hereby proclaim October to be

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in Belleair, and I urge residents to actively participate in the activities and programs sponsored by RCS to work toward the elimination of violence.

*GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the
TOWN OF BELLEAIR, FLORIDA, this
1st day of OCTOBER, A.D., 2019.*

GARY H. KATICA, MAYOR