

RESOLUTION 280(21)

October 13, 2021

WHEREAS, October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, a time to acknowledge domestic violence survivors and be a voice for its victims by raising awareness, and supporting survivors of this common but devastating issue; and

WHEREAS, beginning in October 1981, the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence held the "Day of Unity," with the intent to connect advocates across the nation who were working to end violence against women and their children; and

WHEREAS, activities conducted at the local, state and national level evolved from the Day of Unity with common themes including mourning those who have died because of domestic violence, celebrating those who have survived and connecting those who work to end violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is prevalent in every community, and affects all people regardless of age, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality; and

WHEREAS, according to a CDC survey, 20 Americans experience intimate partner physical violence every minute. That totals around 10 million domestic violence victims per year; and

WHEREAS, physical violence is often accompanied by emotionally abusive and controlling behavior as part of a much larger, systematic pattern of dominance and control. Domestic violence can result in physical injury, psychological trauma, and even death; and

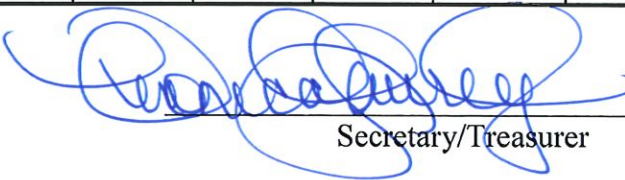
WHEREAS, domestic violence incidents affect every person within a home and can have long-lasting negative effects on children's emotional well-being, and social and academic functioning; and

WHEREAS, National Domestic Violence Awareness Month is a time to remind victims that it is possible to escape their abuser, change their circumstances, and to find the help they need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health proclaims October 2021 as **National Domestic Violence Awareness Month** in Ocean County to increase awareness of the dangers and issues associated with domestic violence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Commissioners and made available for participating municipalities and to other interested individuals on the Ocean County Health Department website.

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