

City of
PEORIA
Proclamation

Whereas, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender, and income levels; and

Whereas, domestic violence is widespread and affects over 4 million Americans each year; and

Whereas, one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and

Whereas, children that grow 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 will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

Whereas, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims;

Now, Therefore, I, Bob Barrett, Mayor of the City of Peoria, in the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2010, as

"Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

In Witness Thereof, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Peoria, Arizona to be affixed this 28th day of August 2010.



Bob Barrett
Bob Barrett, Mayor

Attest:

Mary Jo Waddell
Mary Jo Waddell, City Clerk