

**PROCLAMATION  
TOWN OF LOWELL**

- 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 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 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, WE THE LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN OF LOWELL,** do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2010 as

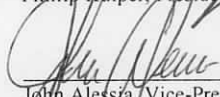
**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

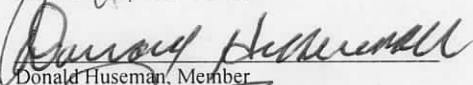
in the Town of Lowell and call upon citizens of Lowell to observe the month with appropriate programs and activities, furthermore, We encourage the citizens of Lowell to seek counsel and input from any person or group with knowledge and expertise in matters concerning Domestic Violence.

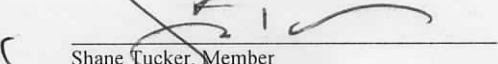
**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** We have hereunto set our hand caused to be affixed, the great seal of the Town of Lowell, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

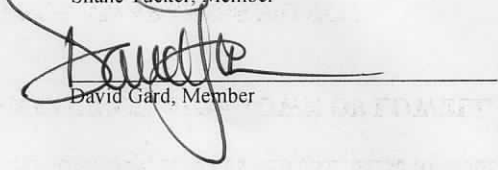
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LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL

  
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Judith Walters, Clerk-Treasurer