

**CITY OF COLVILLE**  
**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is a serious crime that effects 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 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.

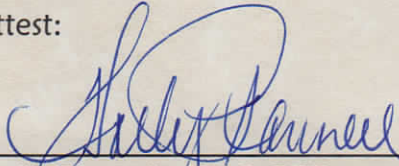
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Richard Nichols, Mayor of the City Of Colville, do hereby proclaim October, 2010, as

***DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH***

in the City Of Colville, and I urge all citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Colville to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.*

  
Richard Nichols, MAYOR

Attest:  
  
Holly Pannell, CMC, PFO  
City Clerk/Human Resources Manager

