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RESOLUTION 89-29

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, over six million women are victims of domestic violence each year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, we in Bloomington are committed to restoring one of our basic rights--the right to freedom from fear in our own homes; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people but cross all economic, racial, affectional preference and social barriers; and

WHEREAS, in our quest to impose sanctions on those who break the law by perpetrating violence, we must also meet the needs of battered women and their children who often suffer grave financial, physical and psychological losses; and

WHEREAS, our children are our future, and while educating them about violent behavior may not solve the immediate problems of domestic violence, it will make a difference in years to come; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity and security, often leaving an imprint of fear and hostility; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide-ranging, affecting not only our community but society as a whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

The Common Council recognizes the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and commends law enforcement agencies, domestic violence shelters, community services and all the countless volunteers in our community who provide services to the victims of domestic violence.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 4 day of October, 1989.

James C Regester
JAMES C. REGESTER, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 5 day of October, 1989.

Tomilea Allison
TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:
Patricia Williams
PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution, co-sponsored by Councilmembers Iris Kiesling and John Fernandez, recognizes October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and commends all the organizations and individuals who have contributed to the elimination of this problem.