



**Proclamation No. 25-1560  
Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

**WHEREAS**, October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, highlighting the importance of supporting survivors, educating the public that domestic violence affects all demographics, and teaching others how to help loved ones that experienced abuse because **domestic violence can happen to anyone**; and

**WHEREAS**, this month is an opportunity to show support for organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, resources, hope, and assistance to survivors, because **ending domestic violence requires a cultural shift and respectful relationships within our communities where accountability and awareness keep our communities safe**; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Domestic Violence Hotline reports that **24 people per minute experience rape, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner** in the U.S., totaling over 12 million adults in a single year; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2024, the Denver City Attorney's Office and Denver Police Department Domestic Violence Unit managed 6,076 cases, and the Denver District Attorney's Office managed 1,359 cases; **despite overall crime falling, domestic violence cases rose 12%**; and

**WHEREAS**, survivors deserve safety, community support, and access to resources, and the Rose Andom Center, SafeHouse Denver, Violence Free Colorado, Denver Police Department, Denver District and City Attorney's Offices, and the Denver Women's Commission **want survivors to know they are supported**; and


**WHEREAS**, during the first week of October, the Denver City & County Building, McNichols Civic Center Building, Denver Center for the Performing Arts Complex, and Ball Arena will be illuminated in purple to raise awareness.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

**Section 1.** That October 2025 is **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**, and the Denver City Council supports nonprofit, government, and community partners in reducing domestic violence and aiding survivors.

**Section 2.** That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to Kirsten Decker, Chair of the Denver Women's Commission.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL October 20, 2025

Signed by:  
  
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PRESIDENT

