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### Title

Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month

### History

Mayor Pekau proclaims October 2020 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the Village of Orland Park.

Domestic violence is a pattern of controlling behaviors, including physical violence, emotional, mental, and sexual abuse, that one partner uses to gain power over the other. Domestic violence does not discriminate against any group of individuals, but eighty-five percent (85%) of domestic violence victims are women and are assaulted or beaten every 9 seconds in the US. Research shows that by creating communities where people are connected, supportive and care for one another, incidents of domestic violence can be reduced.

Mayor Pekau and the Village of Orland Park Board of Trustees urge all Orland Park residents to become involved in efforts to prevent and respond to domestic violence and recognize the impact of domestic violence in our community.