

**Proclamation**  
**Domestic Violence Awareness Month**  
**October 2023**

WHEREAS, Domestic violence is a crime that is perpetrated against people of every age, sex, race and income level;

WHEREAS, In Warren County in 2021 A Safe Place provided 207 days of shelter to 8 adult victims and 16 children of domestic violence;

WHEREAS, In the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 2021, 112 people were killed as a direct result of domestic violence;

WHEREAS, Of the 112 victims killed in domestic violence situations in the Commonwealth, 56% were by a current or former intimate partner;

WHEREAS, Domestic violence affects the trust, self-esteem and sense of safety for victims;

WHEREAS, Women, men and children deserve safe, healthy relationships free of physical, emotional, sexual and financial abuse;

WHEREAS, through our 24-Hour Toll-Free hotline, A Safe Place answered 469 Warren County domestic violence related calls and were able to provide domestic violence victims to life-saving services and linkages to local community resources;

WHEREAS, victims of domestic violence continue to need support of their families, friends, neighbors, and most of all...their communities

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, We the Commissioners of Warren County proclaim the month of October, 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all citizens to observe this month by becoming aware of the tragedy of domestic violence, supporting those who are working toward its end, and participating in community efforts.

ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

COMMISSIONERS OF WARREN COUNTY



Tricia D. Durbin  
Chair

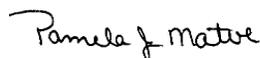


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