



In the Name and by the Authority of

THE STATE OF OHIO



WHEREAS, domestic violence, also known as intimate partner violence, can happen to anyone of any race, age, ability, sexual orientation, religion, nationality or gender; it crosses all socio-economic boundaries; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, there were 79,394 victims of domestic violence reported to law enforcement in Ohio, resulting in 109 victim fatalities; and

WHEREAS, to raise awareness about domestic violence, the state of Ohio is participating in the 34th Annual National Domestic Violence Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the “Barbara Warner Workplace Domestic Violence Policy” under Executive Order 2008-08S demonstrates the State’s commitment to working with all State agencies, boards and commissions to create and to foster safe working environments, while also working with State employees to prevent the abuse, harassment and discrimination that may be the results of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, communities, businesses, local governments, law enforcement and individuals need to work together to stop violence in homes, schools, and workplaces; and

WHEREAS, advocates of all professional disciplines need to work together to respond to domestic violence and provide coordinated services that improve the public understanding of domestic violence and enhance all services for victims and their children that will make our communities healthier and safer.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize October 2021 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

on this 1st day of October 2021.

Mike DeWine
Governor



Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor