

TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS PROCLAMATION

Whereas, home should be a place of warmth, unconditional love, tranquility, and security;

And whereas, for most of us, home and family can indeed be counted among our greatest blessings;

And whereas, tragically for many Americans, these are blessings that are tarnished by violence and fear;

And whereas, women, men, young children and the elderly are all counted among the victims of domestic violence;

And whereas, physical injury and deaths occur and emotional scars are often permanent;

And whereas, law enforcement officials, shelters, hotline services, health care providers, the clergy and concerned citizens are helping in the effort to end domestic violence;

And whereas, we must recognize the compassion and dedication of these volunteers and professionals, applaud their efforts and increase public understanding of this important problem;

And whereas, the Town Council approved Resolution 2013-44 on August 15, 2013, expressing support for the "Start by Believing Campaign" through the End Violence Against Women International organization;

Now Therefore, I, Linda M. Kavanagh, Mayor of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the month of October as *Domestic Violence Awareness Month* in Fountain Hills and urge all citizens to observe this month by becoming aware of the tragedy of domestic violence and supporting community efforts in working toward its end.

DATED This 1st day of October, 2015.



Linda M. Kavanagh
Linda M. Kavanagh, Mayor

Attest:

Bevelyn J. Bender
Bevelyn J. Bender, Town Clerk