

City of Gold Bar

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107 - 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the City of Gold Bar is served by many agencies, including Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County, YWCA, the Snohomish County Domestic Violence Coalition, and the Snohomish County Domestic Violence Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Domestic violence is a pattern of physical, emotional, verbal, and sexual abuse, which includes, but is not limited to, threats, intimidation, isolation, and/or financial control; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 10,000,000 abuse victims annually in the United States; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence accounts for fifteen percent (15%) of all violent crime and one in four women and one in seven men have been the victim of severe physical violence by an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence crosses all boundaries including ethnic, cultural, economic, religious, age, ability, education, and class, and can occur in any family structure; and

WHEREAS, each October includes a Week Without Violence, which is a national initiative created by YWCA USA to mobilize people to take action against all forms of violence, wherever it occurs; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County serves individuals through shelter, housing, and legal services as well providing a 24/7 support line and safe bed nights to those in need;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF GOLD BAR does hereby proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness month and calls upon residents to recognize domestic violence as a serious health and public safety concern, and with compassion, to assist victims of these crimes in finding the help they need.

Signed and proclaimed this 5th day of October, 2021.



Chuck Lie, Mayor Pro-tem



Attest: Lisa Stowe, Clerk/Treasurer