

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

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 2014, there were 59,294 victims of domestic violence reported to law enforcement. As a result of these crimes, there were 10 victim fatalities in Ohio. There were countless other victims who did not report the crime; and

WHEREAS, to raise awareness about domestic violence, the State of Ohio is participating in the 28th 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, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize October 2015 as

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout Ohio and call upon all Ohioans to recognize the importance of creating awareness for this issue, honor those who have survived domestic violence while mourning those who have been lost to the tragedy of domestic violence.

On this 1st day of October 2015:

John R. Kasich
Governor

Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

