## PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, CALIFORNIA HONORING OCTOBER 2010 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, in the City of Live Oak, women and children are victims of violence each year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Live Oak is committed to restoring the first civil right, the right to freedom from fear in our own homes; and

*WHEREAS*, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people but cross all economic, racial, affectional preference, and social barriers, thereby affecting society as a whole; and

*WHEREAS*, in our quest to impose sanctions on those who break the law by perpetrating violence, we must also meet the needs of battered women and their children who often suffer grave financial, physical, and psychological losses; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, and security, often leaving an imprint of fear and hostility; and

*NOW*, *THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*, that in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs, in cooperation with Casa de Esperanza, Inc., the Live Oak City Council hereby proclaims the month of October 2010 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

We urge all citizens, agencies, and businesses to actively proclaim that, There is No Room For Domestic Violence in Our Communities, Our State, Our Nation, Our World, and support the efforts of domestic violence prevention, intervention and treatment programs.

Proclaimed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2010

Diane Hodges, Mayor

Rob Klotz, Vice-Mayor

Malcolm Weston, Council Member

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