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WHEREAS, Domestic Violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and non productivity; and

WHEREAS, this issue attacks the stability of American families by making victims homes a place of fear and insecurity rather than a place of peace and safety; and

WHEREAS, only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals that provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stephen Nolan, Mayor of the Borough of Highland Park, do hereby proclaim October 2010 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

in the Borough of Highland Park.

Given Under My Hand and Seal of the Borough of Highland Park this Nineteenth Day of October in the Year Two Thousand and Ten.

> Stephen Molan, WAY The Borough of Highland Park

