## EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CENTER LINE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2010

Present:

David Hanselman, Mayor, Council Members Mary Hafner, Roy Gillette, Ron Lapham and Nicholas Chakur. Also present was Nancy L. Bourgeois, City Manager/Clerk.

MOTION BY Councilwoman Hafner supported by Councilman Chakur to adopt the following Proclamation proclaiming February, 2010 as "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month".

## PROCLAMATION FOR TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Whereas, studies have found that one in five teenagers in a serious relationship reported that they have been hit, slapped or pushed by a partner; and,

Whereas, moreover, one in four teenagers have been in a relationship where a partner has been verbally abusive toward them and forty percent of teenagers ages 11 or 12 report that a friend of theirs has been a victim of verbal abuse while in a relationship; and,

Whereas, thirty percent of teenagers in a dating relationship have received text messages throughout the day by a partner attempting to find out where they are, what they are doing or who they are with; and,

Whereas, twenty-nine percent of teenage girls who have been in a relationship said that they have been pressured to have sex or engage in sexual activities that they did not want; and,

Whereas, sixty-nine percent of all teenagers who had sex by the age of 14 said that they have experienced abuse, either verbal or physical, while in a relationship; and,

Whereas, the severity of violence among intimate partners has been shown to be greater in cases when patterns of violence has been established through adolescence; and,

Whereas, violent relationships in adolescence can have serious ramifications since victims of violence have higher risk for substance abuse, eating disorders, risky sexual behavior, suicide and adult re-victimization; and,

Whereas, Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for residents of this city to learn more about preventing teen dating violence and to sow support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Center Line hereby proclaims February 2010 as Dating Violence Awareness Month in the City of Center Line, and encourage all parents to break the silence and to talk to their children about teen dating violence.

AYES: ALL.

PROCLAMATION DECLARED ADOPTED.

## CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Motion to adopt the above Proclamation proclaiming February, 2010 as "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month", and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as Amended, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Jane H. Lapham Deputy Clerk

City of Center Line

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Date: February 2, 2010