

# PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING  
OCTOBER 1-31, 2024

AS  
“DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH”  
IN LONGMONT, COLORADO

- WHEREAS, domestic and gender-based violence is a pervasive, life-threatening crime affecting millions of individuals across the United States, regardless of age, gender, economic status, race, religion, or education; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Longmont recognizes that domestic violence not only harms individuals but also affects entire families, workplaces, and communities, and that raising awareness is crucial to ending the cycle of violence; and
- WHEREAS, since its inception, Safe Shelter of St. Vrain Valley is a beacon of hope and safety, providing vital services to survivors of domestic and gender-based violence, elder abuse, teen dating violence, and human trafficking in our community; and
- WHEREAS, Safe Shelter offers essential services such as 24/7 crisis intervention, emergency shelter, counseling, legal advocacy, and educational programs, ensuring that survivors have the support they need to heal and rebuild their lives; and
- WHEREAS, in 2023 alone, Safe Shelter received over 755 crisis calls that went unmet due to limited resources, highlighting the ongoing need for awareness, support, and resources in the fight against domestic violence; and works closely with City departments, a network of nonprofit organizations, local businesses and others to sustain a wide scope of client and funding resources; and
- WHEREAS, during the month of October, the City of Longmont encourages all residents to learn about domestic violence, support survivors and work together with Safe Shelter of St. Vrain Valley to create a community where every individual lives free from fear, violence, and abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joan Peck, Mayor, by virtue of the authority vested in me and the City Council of the City of Longmont, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2024 as “Domestic Violence Awareness Month” in Longmont, Colorado and in doing so recognize Safe Shelter of St. Vrain Valley for their outstanding and unwavering commitment to serving our community for the past forty-six years.



MAYOR:

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ATTEST  
CITY CLERK:

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