



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** domestic violence is a serious crime that affects one in four women and one in seven men during their lifetime; and
- WHEREAS,** domestic violence is widespread and has a devastating impact on survivors, children, families, and communities; and
- WHEREAS,** domestic violence does not discriminate and crosses all economic, racial, gender, educational, religious, and societal barriers, and is sustained by indifference; and
- WHEREAS,** ending the cycle of this vicious crime requires the courage of survivors and the support of the larger community; and
- WHEREAS,** education, prevention, and intervention efforts to end domestic violence are imperative to not only protect survivors but also to increase public awareness of the severity and extent of domestic violence;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN MARCHIONE,** Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim  
October 2019 as

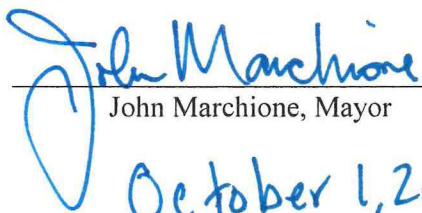
### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ACTION MONTH

in Redmond. I urge all residents to speak out against domestic violence and support LifeWire's efforts to prevent and end domestic abuse and increase public awareness of, and action on, this issue.

Ending violence in the home is a national imperative that requires vigilance and dedication from every sector of our society. We must continue to stand alongside LifeWire, advocates, service providers, law enforcement, and our criminal justice system as they hold offenders accountable and provide care and support to survivors. But our efforts must extend beyond the criminal justice system to include housing and economic advocacy for survivors. We must work with young people to stop violence before it starts. We must also reach out to friends and loved ones who have suffered from domestic violence, and we must tell them they are not alone. We encourage survivors, their loved ones, and concerned residents to learn more by calling the LifeWire Helpline at 425-746-1940 or by visiting [www.lifewire.org](http://www.lifewire.org).

This October, let us honor Domestic Violence Action Month by promoting peace in our own families, homes, and communities. Let us renew our commitment to end domestic violence and its brutal and destructive effects - in every city, every town, and every corner of America.



  
John Marchione, Mayor  
October 1, 2019  
Date