

RESOLUTION 2014- 322

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence has been looked at as a private matter and as a result, the victims end up suffering in silence; and

**WHEREAS**, an average of three women lose their lives each day to domestic violence and young women are the most vulnerable to partner violence regardless of gender, age, race or religion; and

**WHEREAS**, children exposed to this violence can suffer long-term consequences including difficulty in school, post-traumatic disorders, alcohol and drug abuse, and criminal behavior; and

**WHEREAS**, programs established locally and nationally are giving those victims a better opportunity to come forward and seek help and move forward with their lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey that the month of October 2014 is hereby declared as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Mayors of Ocean County municipalities.

**C E R T I F I C A T I O N**

**I, Diane B. Ambrosio, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean at their regular meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2014 in the Municipal Complex, 50 Railroad Avenue, Waretown New Jersey.**

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**Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC  
Municipal Clerk**