

**RESOLUTION 2015- 323**

**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 forward with their lives and the Ocean County Board of Health continues to work with support local programs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Ocean County Board of Health, that the month of October 2015 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.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Diane B. Ambrosio, Clerk of the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee on the 8th day of October, 2015.

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Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC  
Municipal Clerk