

RESOLUTION 2016- 379

WHEREAS, beginning October 1981, the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence held the “Day of Unity,” with the intent to connect advocates across the nation who were working to end violence against women and their children; and

WHEREAS, activities conducted at the local, state and national level evolved from the Day of Unity with common themes included mourning those who have died because of domestic violence, celebrating those who have survived and connecting those who work to end violence; and

WHEREAS, on average, twenty people per minute are abused by an intimate partner in the United States

WHEREAS, more than one in three women and one in four men will fall victim to domestic violence by an intimate partner within their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, women between the ages of 18 and 24 are most likely to be victimized by an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence has been linked with negative physical, mental and reproductive health effects

WHEREAS, according to the Department of Justice, only about half of domestic violence victims report their cases to the authorities, and one-third of victims receive medical care; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey proclaims October 2016 as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Ocean County to increase awareness of the dangers and issues associated with domestic violence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and each municipality in Ocean County.

CERTIFICATION

I, Diane Ambrosio, Clerk of the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean and the State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 13th day of October 2016.

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Municipal Clerk