

1 [Declaring October 2005 to be "Domestic Violence Awareness Month"]

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3 **Resolution declaring October 2005 to be "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the**
4 **City and County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, Violence against women and girls in contemporary United States society is
7 pervasive, and all women and girls are potential targets of violence regardless of whether they
8 are rich or poor, disabled or able-bodied, heterosexual or lesbian, of a particular age, or a
9 member of a particular ethnic, cultural or religious group; and,

10 WHEREAS, Domestic violence in America is intolerable and must be stopped; and,

11 WHEREAS, Domestic violence is a problem of epidemic proportions in our country and
12 community; and,

13 WHEREAS, According to the 2000 National Crime Victimization Survey, almost
14 700,000 incidents of violence between partners were documented in our Nation, and
15 thousands more go unreported; and,

16 WHEREAS, Domestic violence has been defined to include physical, emotional,
17 sexual, psychological, and/or financial abuse or control; and,

18 WHEREAS, Children who witness domestic violence often grow up believing that
19 physical cruelty in relationships is acceptable behavior, and thus they may tend to perpetuate
20 a cycle of violence in society; and,

21 WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month evolved from the first Day of Unity
22 observed in October 1981 by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence; and,

23 WHEREAS, In October 1987 the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month was
24 observed; and,

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WHEREAS, In 1989 the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month Commemorative Legislation was passed by the United States Congress; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares October 2005 to be "Domestic Violence Awareness Month " in the City and County of San Francisco.



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September 27, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell,
McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on September 27, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

9/30/05

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom