

Mecklenburg County

North Carolina

Proclamation

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious issue that impacts people of every background and identity, manifesting in many forms including physical, sexual, verbal, emotional, psychological, and financial abuse; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is prevalent in Mecklenburg County, with over 25,000 calls for service placed to local law enforcement each year; and

WHEREAS, these documented calls for help represent only a fraction of those in our community who experience the hidden impacts of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the effects of domestic violence can be long-term and far-reaching, with implications for public health and safety, economic costs, child development, mental health, and generational cycles of abuse; and

WHEREAS, our community is committed to supporting and empowering those impacted by domestic violence as they seek out safety, hope, and healing; and

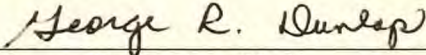
WHEREAS, communities nationwide recognize Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, and the enhancement of this awareness month with a dedicated Domestic Violence Survivors Day creates a unique opportunity to recognize, honor, and celebrate the courage of victims and survivors in Mecklenburg County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim October 2024 and October 12, 2024 respectively, as

“DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH”
&
“DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS DAY”

in Mecklenburg County and encourage all citizens to join us in this special observance.

This 1st day of October 2024



George R. Dunlap, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

