

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence extends beyond individuals, reaching into families and communities; and

WHEREAS, in the last year Marion County experienced at least three domestic violence homicide crimes; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County District Attorney's office received more than 1,000 law enforcement reports of domestic violence last year, and filed over 800 domestic violence cases; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Courts received 1,170 requests for protective orders last year; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Hope and Safety received 38,000 contacts to its program and provided 12,300 nights of shelter; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Victim Assistance Division provided services to more than 865 victims of domestic violence, walking alongside them and giving them a voice in the criminal justice process; and

WHEREAS, we know, as individuals, we can make a difference by speaking up and reaching out to help victims and survivors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Julie Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim October 2025, as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

and honor those who have died and acknowledge those who have survived by supporting meaningful services that create safety and hope for people needing help in our community.

DATED this twenty-second day of September 2025.



Julie Hoy
Mayor