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Request for Legislative Action

Resolution No.: 22088 Sponsor: Sean E. Smith

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REQUESTED MEETING DATE: 10/27/2025

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DEPARTMENT: Legislature

TITLE: A RESOLUTION honoring key community advocates in raising awareness and addressing the needs of victims of domestic violence, in light of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: WHEREAS the Jackson County Prosecutor has implemented new reporting policies for law enforcement agencies that involve routing offenders of domestic abuse to the state level; resulting in stricter punishment for perpetrators, more transparent statistics and allows real-time tracking of court cases; and, WHEREAS local domestic violence shelters believe this improvement will be more proactive in preventing local homicides; and, WHEREAS annually, Newhouse supports hundreds of adults and children by providing over 20,000 meals and over 20,000 safe days and nights for victims of domestic abuse; and, WHEREAS Hope House provides legal representation for over 500 cases and provides screening for thousands of individuals in potential danger through Law Enforcement programs and hotline calls annually; and, WHEREAS Rose Brooks screens over 10,000 calls, provides law enforcement assistance on over 2,500 calls through Police Advocacy programs and provides health care assistance to hundreds of victims each year; now therefore.

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WHEREAS Jackson County recognizes that there are dozens of organizations actively working for the same cause including but not limited to; Shelter KC Women's Center, Ad Hoc Group Against Crime, Momma On A Mission and Mattie Rhodes; Sheffield Place, and Restart Incorporated, BE IT RESOLVED that the Jackson County Legislature formally recognizes October as Domestic Violence Awareness month; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Jackson County Legislature honors all the hard workers at local domestic violence shelters for their dedication to improving the lives of some of the most vulnerable victims in our community.

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ACTION NEEDED: COURTESY (NO LEGAL IMPACT)

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