

**CITY OF GAUTIER PROCLAMATION  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, violence against women and children continues to become more prevalent as a social problem due to the imbalance of power due to gender and age; and

**WHEREAS**, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people but cross all economic, racial, and societal barriers; and supported by societal indifference; and

**WHEREAS**, the problems of domestic violence violate an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity, due to systemic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting to set aside a special time to bring this issue to the attention of all Mississippians so they can become better informed and involved in programs to eliminate this epidemic from our society; and

**WHEREAS**, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging directly affecting women, men and children and society as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, it is domestic violence victims themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor of the City of Gautier, Mississippi does hereby proclaim the month of October, 2016 as:

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

And encourage the citizens of our area to observe this month by joining friends, fellow employees and school, religious, and civic groups in projects that will benefit our community in the fight to stop DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto affixed the seal of the City of Gautier on this the 4th day of October, 2016.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
**Gordon T. Gollott, Mayor**

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**Cynthia Russell, City Clerk**

