## HUDSPETH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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## Joanna E. Mackenzie Hudspeth County Judge

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious public health problem that affects millions of people each year, and

WHEREAS, domestic violence can have devastating consequences for victims and their families, including physical injury, emotional distress, financial hardship, and

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

WHEREAS, in the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year, the Center Against Sexual and Family Violence received 6,363 calls on the crisis Hopeline of which 4,128 were directly related to domestic violence, an 49% increase compared to last fiscal year, provided shelter to a total of 839 residents; advocated for an additional 3,028 victims at the Family Resource Center, and provided over 3,800 hours of individual therapy; and

WHEREAS, we urge all members of the community to join CASFV in supporting victims and survivors of domestic violence. We can all make a difference by "SPEAKING UP" against abuse. We encourage victims to reach out for help and to know they are not alone.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hudspeth County Judge and Commissioners Court, in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs, recognize October 2023 to be Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all citizens to actively participate in scheduled activities and programs to work toward improving victim safety and holding perpetrators of domestic abuse accountable for their actions against individual victims and our society as a whole.

Approved on this 10th day of October, 2023

Joanna B. MacKenzie
Hudspeth County Judge