

**Official Proclamation  
City of Lacey**

**WHEREAS**, each year more than one million victims seek medical assistance for injuries caused by abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence 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, affectional preference, and societal barriers; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lacey is committed to taking a firm position against domestic violence and will remain focused on ensuring that women and children are safe in their homes and abusers are held accountable for their crimes; and

**WHEREAS**, Domestic Violence Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about domestic violence issues and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who are providing advocacy efforts, services and assistance to domestic violence victims;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, I, Mayor Graeme Sackrison, on behalf of the Lacey City Council, proclaim October, 2003, as

***“Domestic Violence Month”***

in the City of Lacey and encourage all citizens to support community efforts to end domestic violence in our society.

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Mayor Graeme Sackrison  
October 9, 2003

