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Town of Montague

Board of Health

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Montague Selectboard

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Dear Members of the Selectboard:

The Montague Board of Health respectfully submits this letter in support of the proposed proclamation recognizing October 2026 as **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** in the Town of Montague. Developed in coordination with the Heartwing Center, the proclamation is intended to increase awareness of domestic violence and highlight the resources available to those affected.

Domestic violence remains a significant public health issue that can have lasting effects on individuals, families, and communities. Observing Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an opportunity to bring greater attention to this issue and reinforce the community's commitment to creating a safe and healthy environment for all residents.

For these reasons, the Montague Board of Health respectfully encourages the Montague Selectboard to adopt the proposed proclamation. Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to the well-being of the Montague community.

Respectfully submitted,

MONTAGUE BOARD OF HEALTH

Michael Nelson (Chair)

Melanie Zamojski (Member)

Rachel Stoler (Member)

Approved by vote of the Montague Board of Health on September 30, 2026.