

Office of the Mayor
Oro Valley, Arizona
Proclamation

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH
OCTOBER 2015**

WHEREAS, domestic violence is an epidemic affecting Americans in all communities, regardless of age, gender, economic status, race, religion, nationality, or educational background; and

WHEREAS, according to the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual & Domestic Violence, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men has been a victim of severe physical domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence can include the systemic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, or economic control and abuse, and it violates a person's dignity and security. The effects of domestic violence are devastating and can leave lasting scars on the minds and bodies of victims; and

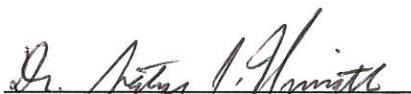
WHEREAS, ending violence in the home, at work, and in the community requires vigilance and dedication from every part of our society; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that those seeking help or services have access to proper care and treatment; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Satish I. Hiremath, Mayor of Oro Valley, do hereby proclaim October, 2015 as **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH** in the Town of Oro Valley.

Dated this 7th day of October, 2015


Dr. Satish I. Hiremath, Mayor



ATTEST:


Julie K. Bower, Town Clerk