



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: Domestic Violence does not affect just one group of people, it is a crime that harms individuals of all races, genders, ages, and socioeconomic levels; and

WHEREAS: 1 in 3 women experience domestic violence in their lifetime. An average of 8,000 incidents are reported in Duval County every year; and

WHEREAS: Domestic violence places an immense burden on its survivors with impacts that can be felt physically, financially, and psychologically. It is imperative to support survivors of domestic violence as they recover and regain their autonomy and sense of safety; and

WHEREAS: The perpetrators of these crimes should be held accountable, and the public should be educated on breaking the cycles of abuse; and

WHEREAS: Hubbard House, Inc. provides life-saving resources to more than 4,000 survivors of domestic violence every year through a variety of free services to adults and children, all working to support the safety and empowerment of survivors of domestic violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONNA DEEGAN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 2023 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

In Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the vital role Hubbard House Inc. plays in serving vulnerable citizens and join them in working to eliminate domestic violence and encourage healthy relationships.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 15th Day of Sep. in the year
Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.


MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA