

City of El Paso de Robles

PROCLAMATION

Dating and Domestic Violence Awareness Month October 2024

WHEREAS, *Dating and Domestic Violence Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that intimate partner violence is widespread and impacts every person in Paso Robles; and*

WHEREAS, *Lumina Alliance provide essential, lifesaving services for survivors, their children, and families throughout San Luis Obispo County including Paso Robles; and*

WHEREAS, *domestic violence is a pattern of control in an intimate relationship where one person uses coercion and violence to gain power and control over his or her partner; and*

WHEREAS, *domestic violence can result in physical injury, psychological trauma, and even death. The devastating consequences of domestic violence can cross generations and can last a lifetime; and*

WHEREAS, *there is a need to focus on the individualized needs of domestic violence survivors; and*

WHEREAS, *the marginalization of certain groups in society, including undocumented individuals, transgender individuals, and those living with disabilities, increases their vulnerability to intimate partner violence; and*

WHEREAS, *Lumina Alliance continues to provide a safe environment to those affected by domestic violence with a 24-hour crisis line, advocacy, therapy, transitional and emergency housing, and prevention education, with the help of dedicated volunteers and professionals; and*

WHEREAS, *Lumina Alliance has received over two thousand calls to the crisis & information line, provided more than six thousand collective nights for shelter clients, and provided more than four thousand eight hundred hours of therapy; and*

WHEREAS, *Lumina Alliance serves as “A Bright Light During Dark Times” for survivors of Intimate Partner Violence, illuminating a path toward safety and healing; and*

WHEREAS, *the City of Paso Robles supports the efforts of LUMINA ALLIANCE, how every segment of society can work together to better address intimate partner violence, and how to help survivors connect with services.*

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that I, John R. Hamon Jr., by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2024 as **National Dating and Domestic Violence Awareness Month**.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this 1st day of October,
I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the
City of Paso Robles to be affixed.*

*John R. Hamon Jr., Mayor
City of El Paso de Robles*