

**PROCLAMATION
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH
OCTOBER 1ST 2018-OCTOBER 31ST 2018**

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a major social and public policy concern in Washington State and Skamania County, and ending domestic violence is the responsibility of all community systems including, education, health care, emergency shelter, criminal justice, religious and social welfare; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is directed at a particular victim, but also victimizes children, family, strangers, and the community; and

WHEREAS, battering is the single largest cause of injury to women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence is also a crime against children. Most severe child abuse occurs in the context of domestic violence and begins after the abuse of a women; and

WHEREAS, all citizens of Skamania County are affected by fear, heartbreak and cost of domestic violence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, We the Board of Commissioners of Skamania County, do hereby proclaim the month of October, as


DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

In Skamania county, and we ask all citizens to participate in efforts to recognize the serious impacts of domestic violence, provide safety and compassion for victims, accountability and counseling for perpetrators and continue to work toward eliminating domestic violence in all areas of our county.

Signed this 2nd day of October 2018


Richard Mahar


Tom Lannen


Bob Hamlin