

**RESOLUTION 2007-20**

**A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2007 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Nearly 5.3 million incidents of intimate partner violence occur each year among U.S. women ages 18 and older, and 3.2 million occur among men; and

**WHEREAS**, Intimate partner violence results in nearly two million injuries and 1,300 deaths nationwide every year; and

**WHEREAS**, Nationally, the cost of intimate partner violence exceeds \$5.8 billion each year. Intimate partner violence costs Oregonians nearly \$55 million every year, with more than two-thirds of those dollars spent on health care service; and

**WHEREAS**, Victims of severe intimate partner violence lose nearly 8 million days of paid work – the equivalent of more than 32,000 full-time jobs – and almost 5.6 million days of household productivity each year; and

**WHEREAS**, Between 3.3 and 10 million children are exposed to domestic violence annually in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, One in four homeless mothers cite domestic violence as the reason they became homeless. Nationally, at least one in four women are victims of family violence as adults. For homeless women, that number is four out of five – 200% higher; and

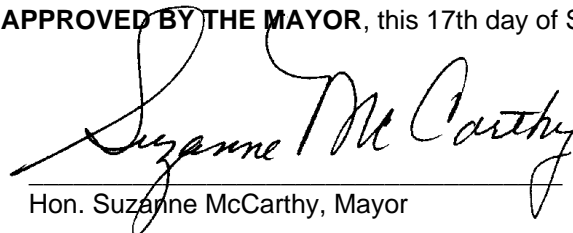
**WHEREAS**, In 2006, Oregon domestic violence and sexual assault programs served 10,433 adults, teens and children and answered 11,105 crisis calls; and

**WHEREAS**, 5,306 child and adult survivors received shelter from Oregon programs in 2006. An additional 8,546 women and children were turned away and unable to receive shelter; NOW THEREFORE,

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARIBALDI RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

The Common Council of the City of Garibaldi hereby proclaims October 2007 as DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH in the City of Garibaldi and encourages all Citizens to join in this observance by educating themselves about domestic violence, by supporting those working to end domestic violence, and by reaching out to survivors of domestic violence.

**PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR**, this 17th day of September, 2007.

  
Hon. Suzanne McCarthy, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Kevin M. Greenwood, City Administrator