



City of Munford, Tennessee

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Dwayne Cole, Mayor

Proclamation Domestic Violence Awareness Month

WHEREAS, There were forty-five (45) domestic violence reports to law enforcement in Munford in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Sixty-three percent (63%) of all crimes against persons reported to law enforcement in Munford involved some form of domestic or sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, Eight (8) individuals lost their lives to domestic violence in West Tennessee in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Domestic violence can include verbal, emotional, financial, and physical abuse, as well as confinement, intimidation, isolation, and threats; and

WHEREAS, Abuse of a family member can have a long-term damaging impact on survivors and their children That impacts family, friends, and the community-at-large; and

WHEREAS, Families are indispensable to a stable society and should be a place of support to instill responsibility and values in the next generation; and

WHEREAS, The survivors of domestic violence should have help to find the compassion, comfort, and healing they need, and domestic abusers should be held fully accountable for their crimes against persons and the community; and

WHEREAS, WRAP offers trauma-informed support and vital resources to empower survivors and their families, spanning across nineteen (19) counties in West Tennessee, fostering safety and recovery, including Tipton County; and

WHEREAS, The impact on individuals and society is substantial. As a community, we hold both a civic and moral responsibility to proactively prevent domestic violence, confront its devastating repercussions, and prioritize its elimination from our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the important work being done by our community to prevent domestic violence, support survivors of domestic violence, and hold perpetrators of such violence accountable for their crimes against the community, I, Dwayne Cole, Mayor of Munford, Tennessee do hereby proclaim October as

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and urge all citizens to become aware of this destructive force in our society and to become part of the efforts to build safe, stable, nurturing relationships, and families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Munford to be affixed this 23rd day of October 2023.

Dwayne Cole, Mayor

Sherry Yelvington, Recorder