

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH (DVAM) ALONGSIDE BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH, AND DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO IMPLEMENT INITIATIVES BEGINNING IN OCTOBER 2025 TO PROMOTE AWARENESS OF DVAM, INCLUDING ILLUMINATING CITY BUILDINGS IN PURPLE.

WHEREAS, October is recognized as both Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), two critical observances that raise awareness and encourage advocacy for vital health and social issues; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) was first observed in October 1987 and continues to be a month of recognition, support, and advocacy for those affected by domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence affects millions of individuals and families across the nation, transcending all demographics, cultures, and socio-economic groups, and it is crucial to increase awareness, reduce stigma, and provide support for victims and survivors of this trauma; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to recognize that domestic violence not only affects the physical safety of individuals but also impacts their mental, emotional, and economic well-being, with long-lasting effects on survivors, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach is committed to addressing social justice issues, promoting safety for all residents, and providing access to resources for individuals impacted by domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, as part of its ongoing commitment to community advocacy and public awareness, the City of Miami Beach seeks to support and recognize Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) alongside Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, an important time to focus on advocacy, education, and healing for all those affected by these critical health and social issues; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach supports various efforts aimed at raising public awareness and increasing understanding of domestic violence, including encouraging the public to participate in educational campaigns, outreach activities, and community events throughout the month of October.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA that the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach hereby proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) alongside Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and direct the Administration to

implement initiatives beginning in October 2025 to promote awareness of DVAM including illuminating City buildings in purple.

PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Tanya K. Bhatt)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney



Date