

**A proclamation that the
Borough of Lewisburg, Union County, Pennsylvania,
shall declare the Month of October
to be
Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

WHEREAS, the month of October is annually recognized as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month – a time to acknowledge domestic violence survivors and be a voice for its victims; Domestic violence is a pattern of coercive, controlling behavior that can include physical, emotional, or psychological abuse, sexual abuse, or financial abuse. Domestic violence traumatizes victims, endangers children, harms families, and threatens communities.

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a pervasive, life-threatening crime that affects millions of individuals across the United States, including individuals in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a major public health problem showing no discrimination based on age, economic status, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, ability, or education level. Everyone knows someone who has been impacted by domestic violence.

WHEREAS, progress has been made to support domestic violence victims and survivors, hold abusers accountable, and create and update legislation to further those goals, important work remains unfinished.

WHEREAS, 2024 marks the thirty-fifth anniversary of October first being declared National Domestic Violence Awareness Month with an awareness theme of Every1KnowsSome1.

WHEREAS, we as a community can come together to become educated to recognize the signs of domestic violence, believe victims, and offer help and hope as they reach for safety.

WHEREAS, we as a community can show support for the organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, and life-saving assistance to victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Kendy Alvarez, Mayor of the Borough of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania join advocates and communities across the country in recognizing and proclaiming October 2024 National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of the Borough of Lewisburg on the 17th Day of September of the Year 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kendy Alvarez', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

Kendy Alvarez
Mayor
Borough of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania