

STATE OF ILLINOIS



Proclamation

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a prevalent social problem that not only harms the victim, but also negatively impacts family, friends, and community at large; and,

WHEREAS, domestic violence knows no boundaries and exists in all neighborhoods and cities, and affects people of all ages, genders, racial, ethnic, economic and religious backgrounds; and,

WHEREAS, the lifetime economic cost associated with medical services for intimate partner-related injuries, lost productivity from paid work, criminal justice and other costs, was \$3.6 trillion; and,

WHEREAS, there are approximately 125,000 domestic violence crimes each year;

*THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** in Illinois.*

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this TWENTY-SEVENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
TWENTY-ONE, and of the State of Illinois,
two hundred and THIRD.*



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SECRETARY OF STATE

JB Pritzker
GOVERNOR