

Councilmember introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #17-02-056**

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 7, 2017 A DAY OF ACTION TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence, a pattern of behavior used to gain or maintain power and control over an intimate partner, happens here in our community and across our state to one in three women; and

**WHEREAS**, empathy happens here for the family, friends, and communities that have experienced the painful death of someone to domestic violence as at least 21 people were murdered due to domestic violence in 2016 alone; and

**WHEREAS**, refuge happens here through over 80 domestic violence programs in Minnesota providing services to over 65,000 victims annually; and

**WHEREAS**, healing happens here through trauma informed treatment and connection; and

**WHEREAS**, accountability happens here with over 10,000 orders for protection issued each year; and

**WHEREAS**, honoring the pioneering work of Minnesota advocates who founded one of the nation's first shelters happens here; and

**WHEREAS**, collaboration happens here between domestic violence programs, law enforcement, court advocates, housing agencies, and community members to ensure the safety of survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is a leading cause of homelessness for women and their children, economic empowerment happens here when affordable housing is recognized as a human right; and

**WHEREAS**, the solutions to end domestic violence happen here, with the commitment of our entire community.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA:**

- 1) That the City Council of the City of Ramsey hereby proclaims March 7, 2017 as A Day to End Domestic Violence.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember , and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

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Mayor Sarah Strommen

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk Jo Ann M. Thieling