



COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners Recognizing October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious public health issue that affects millions of individuals across our nation regardless of age, gender, race, economic status, or education level; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence not only harms survivors, but also impacts children, families, and the entire community, creating cycles of trauma that can persist for generations; and

WHEREAS, in North Carolina, thousands of individuals each year seek services and support to escape abusive relationships and rebuild their lives; and

WHEREAS, Chatham County is committed to supporting survivors of domestic violence, raising awareness about the issue, and promoting prevention through community education and resources; and

WHEREAS, local organizations, advocates, and service providers in Chatham County play a vital role in offering safety, shelter, counseling, and hope to those affected by domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, October has been nationally recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month since 1987, providing an opportunity for communities to come together to increase awareness, promote prevention, and stand in solidarity with survivors; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of working together as a community to break the cycle of violence and ensure that every individual can live in a safe and healthy environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Chatham County, and encourages all residents to join in activities and programs that raise awareness, support survivors, and promote safety and respect in all relationships.

Adopted, this the 15th day of September 2025.

Karen Howard, Chair

ATTEST:

Jenifer K Johnson, Clerk to the Board

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