

PROCLAMATION

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Whereas, Violence against women and children continues to become more prevalent as a social problem, due to the imbalance of power due to gender and age.

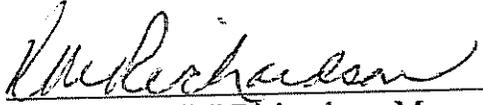
Whereas, The problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups and people, but cross all economic, racial, and societal barriers; and is supported by societal indifference.

Whereas, The crime of domestic violence violates and individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity, due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse.

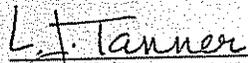
Whereas, The impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting women and children, and society as a whole

Whereas, It is battered women themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home.

Now, therefore, I, Wally Richardson, Mayor of Bethel, do hereby proclaim the month of October 1996, as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and urge all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs sponsored by the Tundra Women's Coalition to work toward the elimination of personal and institutional violence against women.


Ruth M. "Wally" Richardson, Mayor

Attest:


L.J. Tanner, City Clerk

