

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

PROCLAMATION

**HUMAN RESPONSE NETWORK
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, Family is the foundation of a safe and healthy community. It is the goal of this community for our families to be safe; and

WHEREAS, the problem of domestic violence is not confined to any group of people, but crosses all economic, racial, gender, educational, religious and societal barriers, and is sustained by indifference; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence is an immense problem in our community, where in 2011, 672 households received services from Human Response Network's Domestic Violence Program; and

WHEREAS, Victims and survivors of domestic violence should have support in their community to find the compassion, comfort and healing they need, and domestic violence abusers should be punished to the full extent of the law; and

WHEREAS, only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

WHEREAS, Lewis County, along with the Human Response Network, urges community members to take this opportunity to educate themselves about the impact of domestic violence in Lewis County and to become familiar with resources and programs available. This month, let us remember the victims of domestic violence, celebrate the survivors and work together to end domestic violence in Lewis County.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, Lewis County Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of October as

"Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 29th day of October, 2012.

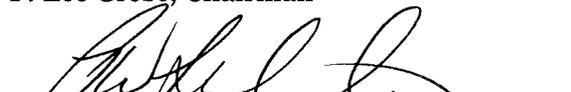


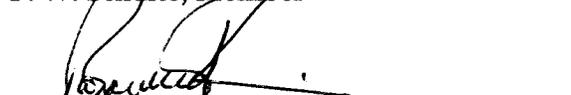
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Karri Muir, Clerk of the Board

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