

PROCLAMATION

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH Purple Light Nights Campaign October 2021

WHEREAS: the objective of the Purple Light Nights Campaign is to bring awareness

about Intimate Partner Violence; and

WHEREAS: Intimate Partner Violence can be physical, emotional, sexual or verbal

abuse or/and coercive and violent behaviours used by a current or former

spouse to establish control over an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS: Intimate Partner Violence can affect a victim's physical and mental health

through direct pathways, such as injury and indirect pathways, such as

chronic health problems; and

WHEREAS: children exposed to Intimate Partner Violence are at greater risk for

mental health issues, negative health outcomes and academic struggles;

and

WHEREAS: Intimate Partner Violence can occur among all socioeconomic, religious

and cultural groups in Nanaimo; and

WHEREAS: the Purple Light Nights Campaign, which began in 2006 in Washington

state, is now celebrated international; including in 3 Canadian provinces

and 12 communities in British Columbia.

NOW THEREFORE I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as:

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Purple Light Nights Campaign

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Krog

Dated this 30th day of June 2021