

STATE OF OHIO  
**Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence can happen to anyone of any race, age, ability, sexual orientation, religion, nationality or gender; it crosses all socio-economic boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2013, there were 53,398 victims of domestic violence reported to law enforcement and 20 victim fatalities in Ohio. There were countless other victims who did not report the crime; and

**WHEREAS**, to raise awareness about domestic violence, the state of Ohio is participating in the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual National Domestic Violence Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, the implementation of the “Barbara Warner Workplace Domestic Violence Policy” under Executive Order 2008-08S demonstrates the State’s commitment to working with all State agencies, boards and commissions to create and to foster safe working environments, while also working with State employees to prevent abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, communities, businesses, local governments, law enforcement and individuals need to work together to stop violence in homes, schools and workplaces.

**NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby designate October 2014 as

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout Ohio and call upon all Ohioans to recognize the importance of creating awareness for this issue, honor those who have survived domestic violence and mourn those who have been lost to the tragedy of domestic violence.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2014:

John R. Kasich  
Governor

Mary Taylor  
Lieutenant Governor

