

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
OF STATE

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, each year nearly 26,000 Oklahomans seek assistance from law enforcement agencies to stop battering; and

Whereas, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people but cross all economic, racial, affectional preferences, and societal barriers; and

Whereas, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity and humanity, due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, spiritual, and economic control and/or abuse; and

Whereas, the impact of domestic violence is wide-ranging, directly affecting women, men, children, and society as a whole; and

Whereas, Oklahomans are encouraged to show support for victims of domestic violence and raise awareness of this issue by wearing purple on October 3rd;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim October 2013 as

"Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

and October 3, 2013 as

"Wear Purple Day"

in the state of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 31st day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

ATTEST

Assistant *Chris Morris*
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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