## Domestic Violence Awareness Month 2024

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates the basic human rights of safety and dignity, and in 2022, 216 Texans were killed due to domestic violence and,

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence and teen dating violence are not confined to any group of people, but cut across all economic, racial, gender and societal barriers; and.

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence and teen dating violence directly affects individuals and communities when society ignores or tolerates violence in relationships; and,

WHEREAS, last year the Women's Center of East Texas provided face-to-face services to over 1,335 adults and 152 children who experienced domestic violence and provided 7,184 days of shelter; and,

WHEREAS, last year the Women's Center of East Texas provided these direct services to 6 victims from Upshur County; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TODD TEFTELLER, Upshur County Judge and the members of the Upshur County Commissioners Court, by virtue of the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2024 as

## "NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH"

And call upon the People of Upshur County to work together with the Women's Center of East Texas and local partners to bring an end to domestic violence and teen dating violence.

56R PROCLAIMED this the 30th day of October 2024.

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TELLER, Upshur County Judge TODD

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