



2015 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 70

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1 **Relating to:** Proclaiming October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

2 Whereas, in any given year, more than 10,000,000 women and men are
3 physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States, and 1 in 3 women as
4 well as 1 in 4 men have been or will be victims of physical violence by a partner in
5 their lifetime; and

6 Whereas, domestic violence consists of a dominant partner exerting control
7 over a victim through physical, emotional, and psychological abuse, the effects of
8 which can have the potential to irreparably ruin one's mental well-being, career, and
9 relationships; and

10 Whereas, many individuals experiencing domestic violence are unable to
11 escape because of the extent of control to which the abuser subjects the victim. This
12 control consists of threats of violence to victims or loved ones, withholding finances,
13 and efforts to isolate victims from friends and families; and

14 Whereas, because it can be difficult to recognize the signs of domestic violence
15 and it is known that anyone from any background can be an abuser, it is paramount

