Open Heart Advocates

## **PROCLAMATION** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CRAIG PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH 24-30, 2019 "NO MORE WEEK"

**Whereas**, 1 in every 3 women will experience domestic violence during her lifetime; 1 in every 4 women will experience sexual assault in her lifetime; and 1 in 6 men have had abusive or unwanted sexual experiences in their lifetime;

Whereas, approximately 15.5 million children are exposed to domestic violence every year;

**Whereas,** the crimes of domestic and sexual violence violate an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic control and/or abuse;

**Whereas,** victims should have help to find the compassion, comfort, and healing they need, and abusers should be punished to the full extent of the law;

**Whereas,** victims of violence should have access to medical and legal services, counseling, emergency and transitional housing, and other supportive services so that they can safely escape the cycle of abuse;

**Whereas,** important partnerships have been formed among criminal and juvenile justice agencies, healthcare providers, allied professionals, and victim services to assist victims of domestic and sexual violence and their families;

Whereas, we dedicate ourselves to protecting vulnerable members of our community;

**Whereas,** the city of Craig has a moral obligation to work to prevent domestic violence, address its brutal and destructive effects and make ending domestic violence a local priority;

**NOW THEREFORE,** the City of Craig, hereby proclaim the week of March 24-30, 2019 as NO MORE Week and urge all citizens to actively support NO MORE's work towards the elimination of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Craig City Council on the 26th day of March 2019.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed, the great seal of The City of Craig.

John Ponikvar, Mayor