

Proclamation

Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

February 2010

Whereas, teen dating violence affects all teenagers regardless of economic, educational, cultural or religious background, and

Whereas, half of the 40,000 teenagers in Morris County say they have either been in an abusive relationship or know someone who is, and

Whereas, Jersey Battered Women's Service has been providing information and educational programs aimed at preventing teen dating violence since 1987, and

Whereas, Jersey Battered Women's Service has partnered with the Morris County Youth Shelter to design heart stickers to wear on one's sleeve as a way of starting the conversation about teen dating abuse and helping teenagers to develop relationships that are safe, respectful and free from violence;

Now Therefore, I, Gene F. Feyl, Director of the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders, proclaim February 2010 as ***Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month*** in Morris County, and urge all citizens to learn more about preventing teen dating abuse and to show support for the organizations and individuals who provide advocacy, services and assistance to victims.


Gene F. Feyl, Director

