

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the residents of Margate are this city's most precious resource and ensuring their safety, well-being, and positive development is a priority and a responsibility that we all share; and

**WHEREAS**, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have been victims of physical violence by an intimate partner within their lifetime; and

**WHEREAS**, the exposure of young children to such violence is occurring at an alarming rate; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Advisory Board on Child Abuse and Neglect suggests that domestic violence may be the single major precursor to child abuse and fatalities in this country; and

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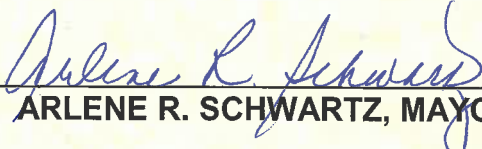
**WHEREAS**, by providing individuals with education about healthy relationships, and by changing attitudes that support violence, we can work together to stop domestic violence for Margate residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Arlene R. Schwartz, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2018, as

## ***DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH***

in the City of Margate and urge all to respond to and work toward ending domestic violence by supporting their communities' efforts to empower and assist victims in finding and accessing the resources they need, and by promoting awareness and prevention of domestic violence in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand  
and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be  
affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018.

  
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**ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ, MAYOR**

Vice Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Lesa Peerman, Commissioner Tommy Ruzzano, Commissioner Joanne Simone