## Lewis-Clark State College President's Proclamation

This proclamation recognizes that everyone in our campus community deserves to live a life free from violence and abuse. Through this proclamation, we pledge to ensure that survivors of domestic violence know they are not alone and that our community is here to support survivors of domestic violence as they courageously move forward to enjoy full and healthy lives at Lewis-Clark State College.

**WHEREAS**, anyone can be a survivor of domestic violence regardless of age, sex, ability, ethnicity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, or religion;

**WHEREAS,** 1 in 4 women and 1 in 9 men experience intimate partner physical violence in the United States;

**WHEREAS**, Intimate partner violence is most common against college-aged women between the ages of 18-24;

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for our campus to learn more about preventing domestic violence, bystander intervention, and to show support for the local organizations and Lewis-Clark State College faculty and staff providing critical advocacy, services, and assistance to its survivors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Cynthia Pemberton, President of Lewis-Clark State College, hereby proclaim October 2019 as

## "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH AT LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE"

Dr. Cynthia Pemberton, President Lewis-Clark State College