

# Proclamation

## Town of Normal, Illinois

- WHEREAS, domestic violence affects women, men and children of all racial, social, religious, ethnic, and economic groups in our Town; and
- WHEREAS, domestic violence is one of the most pervasive problems in our society; and
- WHEREAS, open discussion is the first step in promoting healthy relationships and overcoming domestic violence; and
- WHEREAS, the Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence and their partners have established "It's Time to Talk Day" on October 15, 2008; and the month of October is established each year nationally as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month"; and
- WHEREAS, Radio Bloomington, local Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence members, the YWCA of McLean County, and many other community organizations are co-sponsoring "It's Time to Talk Day" activities to raise awareness throughout local communities as a lead in to October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER KOOS, Mayor of the Town of Normal, do hereby proclaim

Wednesday, October 15, 2008

as

"It's Time to Talk Day"

and

October 2008

as

"Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

in the Town of Normal, and urge all citizens of Normal to take a moment to talk to their children about healthy relationships, to remind those in abusive relationships that they are not alone and that help is available, and to encourage the development of domestic violence policies in the workplace.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Official Seal of the Town of Normal to be affixed hereto this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008.



*Christopher Koos*

Christopher Koos, Mayor  
Incorporated Town of Normal  
County of McLean  
State of Illinois