

# BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy and dignity, security and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse including abuse to children and the elderly; and

**WHEREAS**, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people, but cut across all economic, racial and societal barriers, and are supported by societal indifferences; and

**WHEREAS**, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting individuals and society as a whole, here in this community, throughout the United States and the world; and

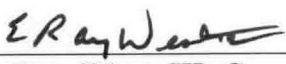
**WHEREAS**, it is survivors of domestic violence themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home;

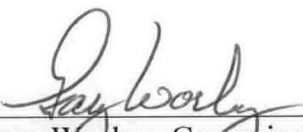
**NOW THEREFORE**, in recognition of the important work done by The ARK Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc., I do hereby proclaim the month of October 2014 as

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

in Brown County and urges all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs to work toward improving victim safety and holding perpetrators of domestic abuse accountable for their actions against individual victims and our society as a whole.

Proclaimed this 29 day of September, 2014.

  
E. Ray West, III, County Judge

  
Gary Worley, Commissioner Pct #1

  
Joel Kelton, Commissioner Pct #2

  
Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct #3

  
Larry Traweek, Commissioner Pct #4

September 29, 2014  
(Exhibit #4)