

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH  
OCTOBER 2015**

**WHEREAS,** domestic and sexual violence transcends all ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic boundaries with the effects of the attacks weakening the very core of our communities and more women being injured by domestic violence each year than by automobile accidents and cancer combined; and

**WHEREAS,** Avalon Center provided services to 1,278 adults and 63 children who were victims of abuse in Cumberland County during the fiscal year 2014-2015 and

**WHEREAS,** during the fiscal year 2014-2015, Avalon Center provided professional counseling to 95 persons and sheltering 108 for total bed nights of 967, as well as 238 events for training and public awareness to 5,268 people; and

**WHEREAS,** through a national effort, the citizens of Crossville are encouraged to join together to raise awareness throughout the month of October for those men, women and children who have fallen victim to domestic violence;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, James Mayberry, Mayor of the City of Crossville, Tennessee, do hereby designate and proclaim October 2015 as **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH** in Crossville, Tennessee and urge all citizens to join in the effort to raise awareness, provide assistance and support to the victims, and put an end to domestic violence.