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STALKING AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, stalking crimes are a threat to our nation and communities, 6.6 million people are stalked in one year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, a stalker can be anyone- a current or former intimate partner of the victim, a non-intimate acquaintance of the victim, or a stranger; and that a victim of stalking can be anyone in our neighborhood, workplace, school, circle of friends, or family; and

WHEREAS, the critical assistance and services that provide for stalking victims' basic needs, such as immediate responses and interventions by the justice system, safety planning, counseling, and information, are vital recourses in our community; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, correctional professionals, victim service providers and the community as a whole play a critical role in enhancing the safety of stalking victims, and the safety of those around them, and in holding stalkers accountable.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, John Opseth, Mayor of the City of Gillette, proclaim the month of January 2014 as

Stalking Awareness Month

City of Gillette

John Opseth, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk