



Legislation Text

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Recognizing the Saint Paul and Ramsey County Domestic Abuse Intervention Project and 10th Annual Northland Cup Charity Hockey Game.

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul and Ramsey County Domestic Abuse Intervention Project (SPIP) is a grassroots organization that exists to eliminate violence against women and their children, and the social and system responses that condone or allow its oppression; and

WHEREAS, SPIP affirms that all victims of domestic abuse must be free to make their own choices, have the right to dignity and possess the capacity to make sound decisions if free from the violence that obstructs these choices; and

WHEREAS, SPIP believes that no one has the right to abuse anyone and no one deserves to be abused regardless of spiritual belief, mental or physical ability, age, race, sexual orientation, partner/marital status, gender, or socio-economic background; and

WHEREAS, SPIP serves more than 6,000 residents annually (and their children) and 9,000 more call for support, information, and referrals on their 24-hour crisis line; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 across Minnesota, at least 24 people died from domestic violence related homicides; and

WHEREAS, on Sunday, April 2, 2023, City of Saint Paul staff and Ramsey County Staff formed teams to host the 10th Annual Northland Cup Charity Hockey Game, raising critical funds for the Saint Paul and Ramsey County Intervention Project; and

WHEREAS, during the 2023 Northland Cup Charity Hockey game Ramsey County players scored 8 goals and Saint Paul players scored 3 goals, raising over \$20,000 for SPIP; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Saint Paul City Council recognizes the incredible efforts of Saint Paul and Ramsey County Intervention Project and their critical support services to the victims of domestic violence.