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## Proclamation

Event: International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence

Date: November 25 – December 10, 2024

**“Whereas** the United Nations General Assembly established the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women in 1993; and

**Whereas** November 25 commemorates the Mirabal sisters of the Dominican Republic, who were brutally murdered in 1960, and calls for worldwide acknowledgement of gender-based violence; and

**Whereas** violence remains the most significant issue of gender inequality affecting women, girls and gender-diverse individuals; and

**Whereas** the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence is a global campaign that starts on November 25 and concludes on December 10, which is recognized as Human Rights Day; and

**Whereas** this campaign encourages us to raise our voices against gender-based violence and reinforces our pledge to eliminate violence targeting women, girls, and 2SLGBTQI+ individuals; and

**Whereas** Northumberland County is dedicated to eradicating femicide and all types of gender-based violence;

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved That** I, Warden Brian Ostrander, on behalf of Northumberland County Council do hereby proclaim November 25 to December 10, 2024, to be ‘International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence’ in Northumberland County.”

Dated this 20 day of November, 2024

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**Brian Ostrander, Warden**