

**A Proclamation of the City Council
of the City of Commerce
Designating the Month of October 2020 as
CRIME PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, in 1984 The National Crime Prevention Council designated October as Crime Prevention Month; and

WHEREAS, the vitality of our City depends on how safe we keep our neighborhoods, schools, and workplace communities; and

WHEREAS, crime and fear can destroy trust in civic institutions, which threatens the community's health, prosperity, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, people must be made aware of the dangers of cyber crime and how they can protect themselves from becoming victims of it; and

WHEREAS, the personal injury, financial loss, and neighborhood deterioration resulting from crime are intolerable and require investment from the whole community; and

WHEREAS, people such as families, co-workers, and neighbors must be educated and made aware of what crime preventative measures they can make; and

WHEREAS, crime prevention initiatives must include: self-protection, security and promote collaborative efforts to make neighborhoods safe for all; and

WHEREAS, time, resources, and policy support must be invested in effective prevention and intervention strategies to develop positive opportunities and programs for children, teens, and adults; and

WHEREAS, effective crime prevention programs excel because of partnerships with law enforcement, other government agencies, civic groups, schools, faith communities, businesses, and individuals help to nurture communal responsibility and instill pride;

NOW THEREFORE, We, the City Council of the City of Commerce, do hereby join the National Crime Prevention Council in proclaiming the month of October 2020, as "Crime Prevention Month" and encourage all who live and work in the City of Commerce to take a stand against crime and work together to make the City a safer and stronger community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of October 2020.

Ivan Altamirano, Mayor

ATTEST:

Len Shumway
City Clerk