

MEDIA RELEASE
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FARIBAULT – October is designated as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. To help promote public awareness of this crime, the Faribault Police Department has created a purple edition of our shoulder patch. Purple was chosen as the representative color for this effort.

Faribault officers will be wearing the purple patch on their uniforms through the month. In memory of our friend, Barb Larson, the Faribault Police Department has partnered with the Faribault Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism to make the limited edition patches available for a \$20 donation. Patches are available at the front window of the police department and the Chamber. All proceeds will be donated to the HOPE Center, our local domestic violence advocacy provider.

Chief Andy Bohlen commented, “The loss of Barb Larson to domestic violence was a tragedy. Our department is committed to helping all victims of domestic violence get the assistance needed to live in peace and safety.”

Domestic Violence Awareness Month was first observed in 1987, established by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

FARIBAULT POLICE OFFICERS WILL BE WEARING PURPLE PATCHES TO RAISE AWARENESS



**IN MEMORY OF OUR
FRIEND BARB LARSON**



LIMITED EDITION PATCHES ARE AVAILABLE FOR A \$20 DONATION

100% OF PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED

\$20

TO THE HOPE CENTER

\$20

AVAILABLE AT:

**FARIBAULT POLICE DEPARTMENT (25 4TH ST NW) AND THE FARIBAULT
AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & TOURISM (530 WILSON AVENUE)**