This Sukkot, join Shalom Bayit in our mission to eradicate domestic violence. Tying this purple ribbon to your sukkah reminds us that not all Jewish women and children dwell in peace and safety in their home. This ritual is one of many ways our community can prepare for Domestic Violence Awareness month (October).

At your Sukkot gathering, you can recite the following blessing, or any appropriate words, to recognize the need for peace in all homes:

We bless the Divine Presence, whose wings shelter us with peace. Redeemer of Israel who brought us out of Egypt, on this festival of Sukkot our thoughts turn to those who dwell in fear and danger in their own homes. With compassion and an outstretched arm, bring them forth into freedom, and shelter them in your sukkah of peace.

May we all be blessed with true shalom bayit—peace in the home.