



# *Proclamation*

## **Suicide Prevention Month**

**Whereas**, September is recognized as Suicide Prevention Month, a time when millions of people around the world join their voices to raise awareness of suicide prevention, treatment and recovery; and

**Whereas**, this is a time that is dedicated to bringing visibility to the role everyone in the community can play in preventing suicide and to encourage all community members to know the signs, find the words, and reach out to someone they are concerned about; and

**Whereas**, the stigma associated with mental illness and suicidality continues to work against suicide prevention efforts by discouraging those at risk for suicide from seeking life-saving assistance and further traumatizes survivors of suicide; and

**Whereas**, education about the warning signs of suicide, the value of preventative measures and the best methods to support those in need is essential to our community; and

**Whereas**, the Tulare County Suicide Prevention Task Force provides training, activities, and education throughout the community to increase awareness of the signs of suicide risk and promote the available prevention and early intervention resources in Tulare County; and

**Whereas**, September 10<sup>th</sup> is World Suicide Prevention Day, which has been recognized internationally and is supported by the World Health Organization.

**Now, therefore we, the City Council of the Tulare City Council**, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2022 as

### **Suicide Prevention Month in the City of Tulare**

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022



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Dennis A. Mederos, Mayor

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