

RESOLUTION

Recognition of National Suicide Prevention Week

Whereas, suicide is a major public health issue that requires vigilant attention and preventative action with over 40,000 people committing suicide every year; and,

Whereas, suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in the United States; and

Whereas, each death by suicide directly impacts numerous family members, friends, loved ones and by extension an entire community; and

Whereas, reducing the stigma by discussing suicide and increasing the awareness of available resources for those suffering from suicidal thoughts is important to maintaining the health and happiness of citizens; and

Whereas, many people who die never receive effective behavioral health services for many reasons including accessing healthcare providers trained in best practices to reduce suicide risk, the stigma of using behavioral health treatment and the stigma associated with losing a loved one to suicide; and

Whereas, public awareness of the warning signs and the networks available for at-risk individuals are essential to continue lowering the rates of suicide; and


Whereas, no single suicide prevention effort will be sufficient or appropriate for all communities, but all are asked to join together and take a stand to help those who are contemplating suicide.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG:

SECTION 1: That this Council does hereby recognize the week of September 8th through 14th, 2019 as National Suicide Prevention Week.

Passed this 9th day of September, 2019.

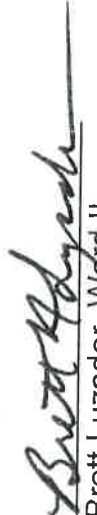

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