

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2024

OFFERED BY: Mayor Alonso

A RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MAY AS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, people across the United States experience mental health conditions that impact their individual health and wellbeing as well as their relationship with the community; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health Awareness Month, observed since 1949, has served as a vehicle for awareness, education, and advocacy around the mental health of residents by providing a time to learn about and discuss mental health; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Survey on Drug Use and Mental Health conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (“SAMHSA”), 23.1% of adults in the United States experienced a mental health condition such as anxiety or depression in 2022; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Health Interview Survey by the National Center of Health Statistics, 21.2% of adolescents 12-17 reported symptoms of anxiety and 17.4% reported symptoms of depression in 2022, with a dramatic increase in these figures among girls and LGBTQ+ teens; and

WHEREAS, roughly 49,000 people die by suicide in the United States every year, with suicide rates highest among men and Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness about mental illness, treatment, and mental health services is crucial to the health and wellbeing of adults and adolescents in Summit County; and

WHEREAS, the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (“ADM) Board service our community by funding, supporting, and assisting organizations that support the mental health and wellbeing of residents; and

WHEREAS, the ADM Board offers a 24/7 crisis hotline at 330-434-9144 in addition to the new national Suicide & Crisis Lifeline available to all residents by dialing 9-8-8; and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to uplift loved ones and neighbors facing challenges to their mental health and help reduce and eliminate the stigma surrounding mental illness;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Reminderville, County of Summit, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Council of the City of Reminderville hereby recognizes and proclaims May 2024 as Mental Health Awareness Month and encourages residents and employees to join in this acknowledgement.

SECTION 2. The Council finds and determines that all formal action by this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this

Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, comfort, convenience, and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Reminderville, to wit: to ensure timely support, and if this Resolution receives the necessary number of votes, it shall take effect and be in force after its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed:

Sam Alonso, Mayor

Attestation:

Stacey Task
Clerk of Council

I, Stacey Task, Clerk of Council of the City of Reminderville, Summit County, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing **RESOLUTION 26-2024** was duly and regularly passed by the Council of the City of Reminderville at a regular meeting of Council on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

Stacey Task
Clerk of Council