

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 25-268

PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 7-13, 2025, AS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK AND SEPTEMBER 2025, AS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF FRESNO)

WHEREAS, the week of September 7th through 13th, 2025, is National Suicide Prevention Week, and September 2025, is National Suicide Prevention Month, a time in which individuals, organizations and communities around the country join their voices and efforts to amplify and lift up the message that suicide can be prevented; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that people of all ages benefit from common tenets of wellness, such as access to effective health and behavioral health care, social-emotional support, and a sense of community and purpose; and

WHEREAS, attitudes and perceptions of behavioral health challenges and suicide have a significant impact on individual wellness and their willingness to reach out for support and services that can alleviate distress; and

WHEREAS, cultivating and maintaining wellness is a lifelong pursuit, and individuals of all ages can benefit from integrating wellness into their daily routine to prevent or reduce the severity of a broad range of health and behavioral health problems; and

WHEREAS, residents of Fresno County, through the Suicide Prevention Collaborative known as Fresno Cares, have come together since 2018 to work across sectors to develop plans, resources, and strategies that can promote wellness, awareness, and to save lives; and

WHEREAS, knowing the signs of suicide, finding the words to talk with someone that may be thinking of suicide, and reaching out to local resources like 9-8-8 are actions everyone can take to care for themselves and others. Residents of Fresno County are urged to take action for suicide prevention by promoting mental health and wellness as Fresno County strive towards zero suicides.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim the week of September 7th through 13th, 2025, as National Suicide Prevention Week, and September 2025, as National Suicide Prevention Month in Fresno County.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 9th day of September 2025, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors Bredefeld, Chavez, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

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Ernest Buddy Mendes, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:

BERNICE E. SEIDEL
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno, State of California

By Alexander Vinn
Deputy