

THE COUNTY OF FRESNO  
Board of Supervisors

PROCLAMATION



*Whereas~* the Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health and its various community partners are committed to the efforts of promoting wellness, supporting recovery, and fostering resilience among individuals and families in our community; and

*Whereas~* one in seven Californians will experience some form of mental (behavioral) health challenge over the course of their lifetime; and

*Whereas~* mental health challenges are one of the most common health conditions in California, affecting not only those who experience such challenges directly, but also their loved ones and support systems; and

*Whereas~* every day, millions of individuals face stigma, misunderstanding and social isolation related to mental health conditions, often delaying access to the care and support they need; and

*Whereas~* recovery can and does happen, and all Californians should know that support, treatment, and healing are available regardless of any individual's situation; and

*Whereas~* creating a community where everyone feels safe, supported, and empowered to seek the mental health care they need and deserve is essential to ending the stigma surrounding mental health; and

*Whereas~* the Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health and its various community partners strive to cultivate hope and healing for a better Fresno County and the Fresno County Board of Supervisors wishes to enhance public awareness of mental health.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 2026 as Mental Health Matters Month in the County of Fresno, to enhance public awareness of mental health, to help end the stigma associated with mental health, increase awareness, and support wellness, resilience, and recovery efforts throughout Fresno County.

**ADOPTED BY THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
THIS 12TH DAY OF MAY 2026**

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