## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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By Susan Bishop
Deputy

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING AND RECOGNIZING)
ON THIS 12TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017, THAT THE
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10TH THROUGH 16TH, 2017,
BE DECLARED "SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK"
THROUGHOUT FRESNO COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-411** 

**WHEREAS**, Suicide is a public health issue that requires vigilant attention and preventative action with over 100 deaths by suicide recorded in Fresno County during 2016; and

**WHEREAS,** Each death by suicide directly impacts numerous family members, friends, loved ones, and by extension the entire community; and

WHEREAS, The Fresno County Suicide Prevention Collaborative was formed by a large cross sector of behavioral health, physical health, schools, hospitals, people with lived experience, public safety, emergency medical systems providers, advocates, community based organizations, county and community leaders, to collectively develop a local plan to prevent suicides; and

WHEREAS, The Fresno County Suicide Prevention Collaborative is committed to ensuring that those in need have access to services by healthcare providers trained in best practices to reduce suicide risk, and to reducing the stigma associated with using behavioral health treatment or losing a loved one to suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, In the most recent year available, over 26000 people from Fresno County called the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline for assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, September 10th through 16th is recognized across the United States as Suicide Prevention Week and provides the opportunity to educate our community about warning signs and how best to help those most in need;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims and recognizes on this 12th Day of September, 2017, that the week of September 10th through 16th, 2017, be declared "SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK" throughout Fresno County

**THE FOREGOING** was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017, to-wit:

AYES:

Supervisors, Borgeas, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

CHAIRMAN, Board of Supervisors