

~ PROCLAMATION ~

WHEREAS, September is nationally recognized as suicide prevention month; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, one person dies by suicide every 11 minutes; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, suicide is the second leading cause of death for ages 10-14 and 25-34; and

WHEREAS, In Washington State forty percent of all deaths in youth aged between 15 and 24 were attributed to suicide; and

WHEREAS, support of mental wellness efforts, education on suicide prevention, and promotion of accessible resources for help can reduce suicide within our youth and community; and

WHEREAS, all citizens can take part in preventing suicide by promoting mental well-being and contributing to a culture where individuals are supported and accepted for who they are and where it is okay to ask for help;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Hogan, Mayor of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim September 2022, as:

"Suicide Prevention Awareness Month"

in the City of Camas and encourage citizens and businesses to support mental wellness efforts and become educated about suicide prevention, as well as promote accessible resources, to unite against the tragedy of suicide and cultivate a healthier environment for our community.



In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 6th day of September 2022.

Steve Hogan, Mayor