

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, September is known as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, which helps promote resources and awareness around the issues of suicide prevention, as well as instructs us how to help others and how to talk about suicide without increasing the risk of harm; and

WHEREAS, Suicidal thoughts can affect anyone regardless of age, gender, or background; and

WHEREAS, Suicide is the third leading cause of death among young people; and

WHEREAS, Dundee, Florida is no different than any other community in the country, but chooses to publicly state and place our full support behind local educators, mental health professionals, athletic coaches, pack leaders, and parents, as partners in supporting our community in simply being available to one another; and

WHEREAS, local and national organizations like Suicide Prevention Services are on the front lines of a battle that many still refuse to discuss in public; and

WHEREAS, the youth of our community should understand that throughout life, everyone faces struggles and fights unseen battles; and

WHEREAS, I encourage all residents to take the time to inquire as to the wellbeing of their family, friends, and neighbors over the next few weeks and to genuinely convey their appreciation for their existence by any gesture they deem appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Samuel Pennant, Mayor of the Town of Dundee, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2024 as

SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand caused the seal of the Town of Dundee, Florida to be affixed this 24th day of September 2024.

TOWN OF DUNDEE, FLORIDA

Samuel Pennant, Mayor

Attest:

Lita O'Neill, Town Clerk