



PROCLAMATION

Kerman City Council

SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 - SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

WHEREAS, September 7 through September 13, 2025, is recognized across the United States as Suicide Prevention Week and provides an opportunity to educate our community about warning signs and how best to support those most in need.

WHEREAS, suicide is a national and statewide public mental health problem which occurs among all age groups and across all socioeconomic, racial and ethnic backgrounds, is the 11th leading cause of death in the United States, and the 2nd leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 25 to 34; and

WHEREAS, more than 45,000 people die by suicide each year in the United States — leaving thousands of families, friends, and communities forever impacted by their loss; and

WHEREAS, the stigma associated with mental illness and suicidality hinders suicide prevention by discouraging those at risk for suicide from seeking life-saving help, while also further traumatizing survivors of suicide; and

WHEREAS, suicide is preventable, and it is appropriate for a week to be set aside each year to dedicate our thoughts to improving the mental health of all Pasadena residents and raising awareness about suicide.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Kerman City Council do hereby proclaim **September 7, 2025 through 13, 2025** in Kerman as National Suicide Prevention Week, and encourages the community to raise awareness of the mental health needs of children, adults, and seniors as fundamental to a healthy and thriving community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Kerman to be affixed on this 27th day of August 2025.

Maria Pacheco
Mayor