

**Presented By:**  
City Manager

**Action Taken:**  
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**CITY OF NOME, ALASKA**

**RESOLUTION NO. R-22-08-04**

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2022 AS SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS  
MONTH IN THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA**

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, the United States suffered a death by suicide every 11 minutes; and,

**WHEREAS**, the State of Alaska has a suicide rate that doubles the national average; and,

**WHEREAS**, Rural Alaska, where the City of Nome is located, has some of the highest rates of suicide in the State; and,

**WHEREAS**, the entire community of Nome has been affected by the loss of life by suicide, with personally knowing someone that has taken their life; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Nome is heartened by the expansion and implementation of the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline in the State of Alaska; and,

**WHEREAS**, the 988 Lifeline will have the capability to receive calls, texts, and chats from people in crisis; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Nome encourages its citizens to seek help when needed and see hope for the future; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Nome Common Council designates September 2022 as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in the City of Nome, Alaska.

**APPROVED** and **SIGNED** this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2022.

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**JOHN K. HANDELAND,**  
**Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**BRYANT HAMMOND,**  
**Clerk**