

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 19 OF 2020

WHEREAS, suicide is a leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in the state of Pennsylvania, one person dies by suicide every four hours, making it the second leading cause of death for ages 10-34 and the 4th leading cause of death for ages 35-54.; and

WHEREAS, nearly five million people in the United States have lost a loved one to suicide; and

WHEREAS, the month of September is when millions of people around the world join their voices to share a message of hope and healing; and

WHEREAS, each member of our community is valuable and irreplaceable; and

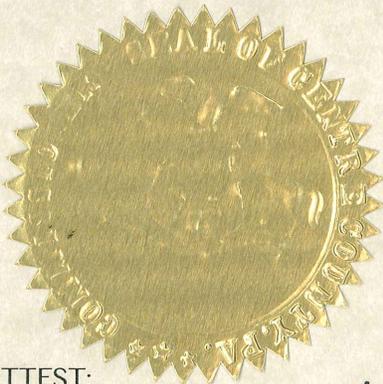
WHEREAS, talking openly about stress and psychological health builds trust, reduces barriers to care, and enables early intervention; and

WHEREAS, local and statewide suicide prevention efforts should be developed and encouraged to the maximum extent possible, and

WHEREAS, the Centre County Board of Commissioners supports the efforts of the Jana Marie Foundation to promote suicide prevention across the Centre Region; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim **September 2020** as ***"Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month"*** and **September 10, 2020** as ***"Suicide Awareness and Prevention Day"*** in Centre County.

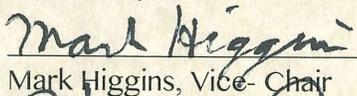
ADOPTED this 8th day of September 2020.



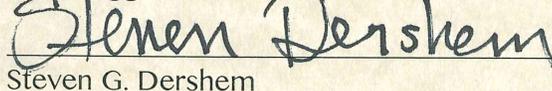
CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Michael Pipe, Chair

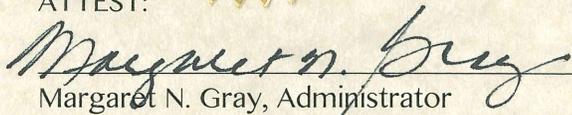


Mark Higgins, Vice-Chair



Steven G. Dershem

ATTEST:



Margaret N. Gray, Administrator