

Resolution



ORDER NO. 2019-0954

DATE: September 17, 2019

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 17th day of September 2019, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner District 1, and seconded by John Wiley Price, Commissioner District 3, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Commissioners Court recognizes that September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and that suicide is a community public health problem that is largely preventable and is often due to an untreated mental health condition; and

WHEREAS, Suicide knows no boundaries and can affect anyone regardless of background or socioeconomic status. Dallas County joins neighbors, families, and the nation in remembering and designating September 8th through September 14th as **Suicide Prevention Week**; and


WHEREAS, Suicide is the tenth leading cause of all deaths in the United States and the second leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 15 to 34. It is estimated that five million people in the United States are survivors of suicide, family and friends who have lost a loved one to suicide; and

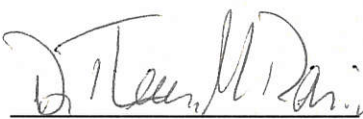
WHEREAS, In North Texas, 567 lives were lost to suicide in 2018. One in five Americans is living with a mental health condition. This is significant because stigma against mental health conditions can contribute to feelings of shame and can even prevent people from seeking treatment; and


WHEREAS, Work is being done through organizations such as the **Greater Dallas Suicide Prevention Coalition**. The group is dedicated to reducing the frequency of suicide attempts and deaths, as well as the pain of survivors affected by the suicides of loved ones, through collaboration of services and awareness efforts.

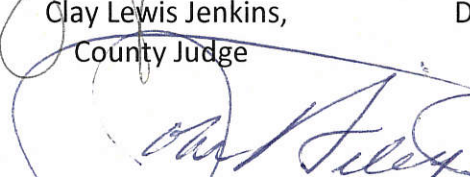
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby recognize September 8th through 14th as **Suicide Prevention Week** in Dallas County. The Dallas County community is invited to attend the Greater Dallas Suicide Awareness Day remembrance at the Old Red Museum on September 25, 2019, at 11:00 a.m.

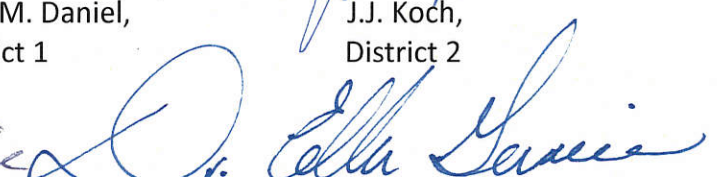
DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 17th day of September, 2019


Clay Lewis Jenkins,
County Judge


Dr. Theresa M. Daniel,
District 1


J.J. Koch,
District 2


John Wiley Price,
District 3


Dr. Elba Garcia,
District 4