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BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Recognizing September 8-14, 2024, as Suicide Prevention Week

Resolution No. 2024 - 27 (FCBE) Resolution No. 2024 - 48 (FCSS)

WHEREAS, the week of September 8th through 14th, 2024 is National Suicide Prevention Week, and September 2024 is National Suicide Prevention Month, a time in which individuals, organizations and communities around the country join their voices and efforts to amplify and lift up the message that suicide can be prevented; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that people of all ages benefit from common tenets of wellness, such as access to effective health and behavioral health care, social-emotional support, and a sense of community and purpose; and

WHEREAS, attitudes and perceptions of behavioral health challenges and suicide have a significant impact on individual wellness and their willingness to reach out for support and services that can alleviate distress; and

WHEREAS, cultivating and maintaining wellness is a lifelong pursuit, and individuals of all ages can benefit from integrating wellness into their daily routine to prevent or reduce the severity of a broad range of health and behavioral health problems; and

WHEREAS, residents of Fresno County, through the Suicide Prevention Collaborative known as Fresno Cares, have come together since 2018 to work across sectors to develop plans, resources, and strategies that can promote wellness, awareness and to save lives; and

WHEREAS, knowing the signs of suicide, finding the words to talk with someone that may be thinking of suicide, and reaching out to local resources like 9-8-8 are actions everyone can take to care for themselves and others; and

WHEREAS, residents of Fresno County are urged to take action for suicide prevention and promote mental health and wellness as Fresno County strive towards zero suicides; and

WHEREAS, the month of September is recognized across the United States as Suicide Prevention month, providing the opportunity to educate and engage everyone in our community to find their role in suicide prevention;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Education and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools hereby proclaims and recognizes on this 15th Day of August 2024, that the month of September 2024 be declared SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH. and encourage all Fresno County School Districts to participate with appropriate activities and curriculum on this day and throughout the year.

2024 by the following votes:					
President James Martinez:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	1
Vice President Allen Clyde:	Yes 🗸	No	Abstain	Absent	
Member Bryan Burton:	Yes 🗸	No	Abstain	Absent	
Member Marcy Masumoto:	Yes 🔽	No	Abstain	Absent	
Member Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:	Yes 🗸	No	Abstain	Absent	
Dr. Allen Clyde, Vice President			-		
This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools as of the date immediately stated below as evident by her signature hereunder: Dr. Michelle Cantwell-Copher, Superintendent					
CERTIFICATION					
I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.					
By: Dr. Michele Cartwell-Copher Fresno County Superintendent of School Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Office Fresno County Board of Education		:	Date:	115/24	

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting of August 15,