



**PROCLAMATION  
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF INYO,  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2021 AS  
SUICIDE PREVENTION AND RECOVERY WEEK**



**WHEREAS**, the week of September 5-11, 2021 is National Suicide Prevention Week, and September 2021 is National Recovery Month, when millions of people around the world join their voices to share a message of hope and healing; and

**WHEREAS**, these observances are united in raising awareness that prevention is possible; treatment is effective; and people do recover; and

**WHEREAS**, in these challenging times, messages of hope and healing are more needed than ever; and

**WHEREAS**, Inyo County residents should be able to access high quality prevention, support, rehabilitation, and treatment services that lead to recovery and a healthy lifestyle; and

**WHEREAS**, every day in Inyo County people enter treatment into behavioral health services and community supports and begin the road to wellness and recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, resiliency begins early in life within families, day cares, and schools, and can be strengthened and reinforced throughout the life span; and

**WHEREAS**, recovery and wellness encompass the whole individual, including mind, body, spirit, and community; and

**WHEREAS**, Striving for Zero, California's Strategic Plan for Suicide Prevention, urges all Californians to play a role in suicide prevention and promoting health and wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, the benefits of preventing and overcoming mental health challenges, suicide attempts and loss, and substance abuse are significant and valuable to individuals, families, and our community at large; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential that we educate residents about suicide, mental health and substance abuse problems and the ways they affect all people in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, we must encourage relatives, friends, co-workers, and providers to recognize the signs of a problem, and guide those in need to appropriate services and supports; and

**WHEREAS**, Suicide Prevention Week and Recovery Month inspire millions of Americans to raise awareness, build resiliency, and find hope.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the month of September 2021 be Suicide Prevention and Recovery Month: "Finding Hope, Building Resiliency, Supporting Recovery," in Inyo County.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021, by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors.

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Jeff Griffiths,  
Chairperson, County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

Attest: **LESLIE CHAPMAN**  
Acting Clerk of the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Clerk of the Board