## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HINSDALE COUNTY, COLORADO

## A RESOLUTION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Resolution 13, Series 2023

WHEREAS, this Proclamation recognizes suicide as a national and statewide public health problem, and suicide prevention as a national and statewide responsibility, and designates September 2023 as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Month" in Hinsdale County; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness has determined suicide is the 12th leading cause of death in the United States, the 2nd leading cause of death among children and teens ages 10-14 and the 3rd leading cause of death among people aged 15-24; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 48,183 people died by suicide in 2021 in the United States, equivalent to one death every 11 minute, and it is estimated that in 2021, 1.7 million adults attempted suicide; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control in 2021, Colorado had the 6th highest suicide rating of states in the United States with 1,384 people dying by suicide in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, more than 90 percent of the people who die by suicide have experienced symptoms of a diagnosable and treatable mental health condition, although often that condition was not recognized or treated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners of Hinsdale County, do hereby proclaim September 2023 as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in Hinsdale County, Colorado.

INTRODUCED by Commissioner Kustuse Borkers, seconded by Commissioner

Robert Hurd , and adopted on this 20th day of September, 2023...

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Greg Levine, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Insdale County Clerk