



Proclamation

Suicide Prevention Week

September 8th-14th

Whereas, suicide is a major public health issue that requires vigilant attention and preventative action; and

Whereas, San Joaquin County recorded over 80 deaths by suicide in 2017; each death by suicide directly impacts numerous family members, friends, loved ones, and by extension the entire community; and

Whereas, it is important to raise awareness, provide for education and training on suicide prevention, and reduce stigma; and

Whereas, to ensure that those in need have access to services by healthcare providers trained in best practices to reduce suicide risk and to reduce the stigma associated with using behavioral health treatment or losing a loved one to suicide; and

Whereas, September 8th through 14th is recognized across the United States as Suicide Prevention Week and provides the opportunity to educate oneself about warning signs and how best to help those most in need; and

Whereas, I, Benjamin Cantu, Mayor of the City of Manteca, on behalf of City Council, do recognize the week of September 8th-14th, 2019, as Suicide Prevention Week. In recognition of the importance of Suicide Prevention, I encourage all citizens to join together and take a stand to help those who are contemplating suicide.

DATE: September 17, 2019



Mayor Benjamin Cantu

