



CITY OF SELAH

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CITY OF SELAH PROCLAMATION #2024-01

PUBLIC PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF SELAH REGARDING SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS

WHEREAS, suicide has been universally recognized as a mental health issue that many refuse to discuss due to perceived stigmas; and

WHEREAS, September 10th has been recognized as “International Suicide Prevention Awareness Day” by world health organizations and we wish to connect people with the resources that they need; and

WHEREAS, the entire month of September has been globally declared to be an opportunity to raise the visibility of mental health issues including proactive suicide prevention resources available in our communities; and

WHEREAS, we want to start the conversation, destigmatize it and help connect people with the appropriate support services; and

Whereas, an average of more that 132 suicides occur daily, each directly impacting 100 additional people including friends, family, service members, social media connections and neighbors,

NOW, THEREFORE, as Mayor, I hereby proclaim this day and the month of September as suicide prevention awareness day/month within the City of Selah and call upon all citizens to understand mental health through educating themselves, supporting those organizations working on the front lines and by taking an active part in the discussion.

ISSUED THIS 10th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2024

Roger Bell, Mayor

ATTEST:
Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

