

WHEREAS suicide is the tenth leading cause of all deaths in the United States; and

WHEREAS in Pennsylvania, one person dies by suicide every four hours, making it the

second leading cause of death for ages 15-34 and fourth leading cause of

death for ages 35-54; and

WHEREAS nearly five million people in the United States have lost a loved one to

suicide; and

WHEREAS each member of our community is valued and irreplaceable; and

WHEREAS talking openly about stress and psychological health builds trust, reduces

barriers to care, and enables early intervention; and

WHEREAS local and statewide suicide prevention efforts should be developed and

encouraged to the maximum extent possible; and

WHEREAS most suicides are preventable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert C. Dye, Mayor of the City of Farmers Branch, do hereby proclaim the month of September to be **"SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH"** in the City of Farmers Branch.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Farmers Branch to be affixed this 15th day of September, 2020.

Robert C. Dye, Mayor