

Alachua County Florida A Proclamation

Declaring September as “National Suicide Prevention Month” in Alachua County, Florida

Whereas, suicide is a national and statewide public mental health problem which occurs among all age groups and across all socioeconomic, racial and ethnic backgrounds, is the 12th leading cause of death in the United States, and the 2nd leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 20 to 34; and

Whereas, today we remember and acknowledge the individuals, families, and communities that have been impacted. It is also a time to raise awareness about suicide prevention and share messages of hope; and

Whereas, we must reduce the stigma surrounding suicide and encourage the pursuit of mental health assistance; and

Whereas, we bring hope to those affected by suicide, including those who have experienced loss.

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim September, as “National Suicide Prevention Month” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 10th day of September, A.D., 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA

By: _____
Mary C. Alford, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.