## Resolution No. 2025-

## RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7-13, 2025 AS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, suicides are the 11th leading cause of death in the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2023, there were an estimated 1.5 million suicide attempts in the United States and over 49,000 Americans died by suicide according to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2024, there were 53 suicide deaths in Solano County; and, in the first six months of 2025, there have been 25 suicide deaths, which is six less than this same time last year; and

WHEREAS, nationally 39% of LGBTQ+ young people seriously considered attempting suicide in the past year, and over half of transgender and nonbinary youth seriously considered suicide, according to the Trevor Project; and

**WHEREAS,** the stigma associated with behavioral health conditions, societal norms, and fears work against suicide prevention by discouraging persons at risk from seeking life-saving help, and by further traumatizing those who have attempted suicide and those who have lost loved ones to suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, suicide is a preventable national, State, and local public health concern, and no single suicide prevention program or effort will be appropriate for all populations or communities; and

**WHEREAS,** the community can promote awareness, and efforts should be made to develop and implement strategies to increase access to quality mental health and substance use treatment, and suicide prevention services; and

**WHEREAS,** Solano County Behavioral Health in partnership with the Solano County Suicide Prevention and Overdose Coalition and the community, continues to strive to impact change by saving lives and envisioning a suicide-free community achieved through education and training, stigma reduction efforts, collaboration with partners, and the provision of resources to combat suicide; and

**WHEREAS,** Solano County Behavioral Health invites the community to attend the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, a virtual event in which survivors of suicide loss come together to find connection, understand and hope through their shared experience on Saturday, November 22, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE RESOLVED**, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors designates September 7-13, 2025 as National Suicide Prevention Week in Solano County and encourages all residents of Solano County to learn more about promoting mental health wellness and the detection and prevention of suicide.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025

MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: BILL EMLEN, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors
By:
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk