

**Before the Board of County Commissioners  
Martin County, Florida**

**A Proclamation**

**Declaring Suicide Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida**

- Whereas,** suicide is an epidemic that may be cured; and
- Whereas,** depression and suicide are linked in more than 50 percent of suicides; and
- Whereas,** on average, there are 129 suicides a day or 1 every 11.11 minutes, including here in Martin County; and
- Whereas,** education and awareness are critical to the stigma-ending battle faced by the mental health community.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that September 2019 is Suicide Awareness Month in Martin County. Further, the board urges residents to learn how they may help those in need because suicide is everyone’s business.

**Presented this Tenth Day of September 2019**

ATTEST:

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