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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION AND ACTION MONTH.

1           WHEREAS, September is known nationally as "Suicide  
2 Prevention Month" and is intended to promote awareness and raise  
3 visibility of the mental health resources and suicide prevention  
4 services available in the community; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the goal of a national month of recognition is to  
7 start a conversation about mental health and the impact of  
8 suicide to help destigmatize the conversation and help connect  
9 people with the appropriate support services; and  
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11           WHEREAS, according to the American Foundation for Suicide  
12 Prevention, suicide is the tenth leading cause of death among  
13 adults, and the second leading cause of death among individuals  
14 between the ages of ten and thirty-four in the United States;  
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17           WHEREAS, in the United States more than forty-eight  
18 thousand people died by suicide in 2018, with an average of one  
19 hundred thirty-two successful suicide attempts per day; and  
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21           WHEREAS, each and every suicide directly impacts a minimum  
22 of one hundred additional people, including family, friends,  
23 coworkers, neighbors, and community members; and  
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25           WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii fully supports those who work  
26 in the fields of mental health, education, and law enforcement;  
27 now, therefore,  
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29           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
30 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
31 of 2021, that September is designated as National Suicide  
32 Prevention and Action Month; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all residents of Hawaii are  
2 encouraged to take the time to understand the importance of  
3 mental health education and recognize that taking care of  
4 oneself and others includes taking care of mental health; and  
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
7 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Mayor of the City and  
8 County of Honolulu, Mayor of the County of Kauai, Mayor of the  
9 County of Maui, Mayor of the County of Hawaii, President of the  
10 Board of Directors of Hope For The Day, and Director of Hawaii's  
11 Suicide Prevention Center.  
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