

RESOLUTION #20-11

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION MAY AS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH
Bayshore Elementary School District**

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being;

WHEREAS, behavioral health disorders, including major depression, schizophrenia, panic disorders, and obsessive-compulsive disorders affect many children and youth every year, indiscriminate of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or economic status;

WHEREAS, approximately 50 percent of students with a mental health condition 14 years or older drop out of school, the highest dropout rate for any disability group;

WHEREAS, a focus on prevention and early intervention efforts could greatly reduce the number of children experiencing serious mental health conditions;

WHEREAS, federal statistics show that one in 10 children has a serious mental health condition, but only a third will receive any care at all — with even fewer receiving appropriate care;

WHEREAS, children, youth and adults can recover from mental illness and lead full, productive lives in the community;

WHEREAS, since 1949, May has officially been recognized as Mental Health Month;

WHEREAS, each county office of education, school district, school, elected official, business, government agency, health-care provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental health issues and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bayshore Elementary School District, hereby declares May 2021 as Mental Health Month and thereby requests that each school district, school, elected official, business, government agency, health-care provider, organization and citizen, recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our children, youth and adults can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people, especially children and youth with mental health conditions.

REGULARLY passed and adopted the 20th day of April, 2021.

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Clerk


President