

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of September 2019 is Teen Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, Arizona ranks 23th in the nation for suicides among children and adolescents; and

WHEREAS, suicide is the second leading cause of death for Arizona adolescents ages 10-19; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 10,000 teens attempted suicide in 2017 in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, 50 children died by suicide in 2017 in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, several organizations including Teen Lifeline, La Frontera – EMPACT SPC, A New Leaf, Banner Behavioral Health, Homeless Youth Connection, 1n10, Quail Run Behavioral Health, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, UMOM/SafePlace, Aurora Behavioral Health, Rosewood Centers for Eating Disorders, City of Phoenix (Paint Phoenix Purple), TERROS, Oasis Behavioral Health, and Honor Health conduct promotional activities to explain the higher incidence of teen suicide at the beginning of the school year, and highlight prevention and support services that are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 2019 as

TEEN SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Douglas A. Ducey
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this tenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fourth.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE