

*CITY OF NAPA*  
**PROCLAMATION**

*Mental Health Awareness Month*  
*May 2024*

**WHEREAS**, each May we raise awareness about the importance of mental health and its impact on the well-being of all members of the Napa community, including children, adults, and families; and

**WHEREAS**, mental health challenges are one of the most common health conditions in California, affecting at least two in five adults and children, impacting both the person experiencing mental health challenges and those persons who care and love the person facing the challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, in Napa County 438 elementary school students, 839 middle school/junior high school students, and 3,785 high school students received universal mental health screening through Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) funding administered by the Napa County Office of Education (NCOE) in partnership with Napa County, through our Health and Human Services Agency, from August 1, 2023 to January 31, 2024 for a total of 5,062 students; and

**WHEREAS**, Napa County Health & Human Services Agency's Behavioral Health Division served over 1,645 unique clients in Fiscal Year 2022-2023, ensuring those served received high-quality mental health services; and

**WHEREAS**, it is critical that we create a community in the City of Napa wherein everyone feels comfortable seeking support and prioritizing their mental health and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, we support the shared vision of a community in which anyone affected by mental illness can get the support and care they need to live a fulfilling life; and

**WHEREAS**, we encourage friends, relatives, neighbors, and all people in our community to learn the signs, support those who are struggling, and assist them in seeking services available.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Scott Sedgley, Mayor of the City of Napa, along with the Napa City Council, do hereby proclaim *May 2024 as Mental Health Awareness Month* in the City of Napa. We call upon all members of the community, private businesses, non-profit groups, clubs, and associations, to be an ally for individuals with mental illness and take action to strengthen the mental health of our community. Above all, let us collectively ensure that all children and adults experiencing mental health challenges are treated with the compassion, respect, and understanding they deserve.

Dated: May 7, 2024

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SCOTT SEDGLEY, MAYOR  
CITY OF NAPA