



# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the week of September 8<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, is National Suicide Prevention Week, and September 2024 is National Suicide Prevention Month, a time during which individuals, organizations, and communities join their voices to amplify the message that suicide can be prevented; and

**WHEREAS**, these observances are united in raising awareness that prevention is possible, treatment is effective, and people do recover; and

**WHEREAS**, the Zero Suicide Framework emphasizes that even one life lost to suicide is too many; and

**WHEREAS**, we know that being kind, asking directly about suicide, and fostering social connection can save lives; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential that we educate and encourage relatives, friends, co-workers, and providers about the signs of suicidal ideation, and that it affects all people in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, we believe it takes all of us, doing what we can, to create a community without suicide; and

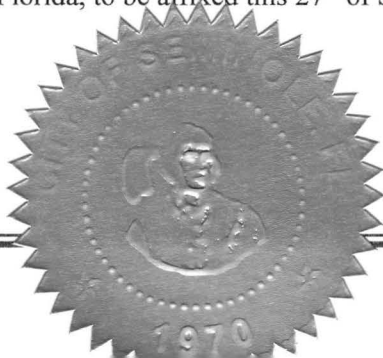
**WHEREAS**, the Zero Suicide Partners of Pinellas, led by Suncoast Center, Inc., unites community members and organizations with the common mission to end suicide in Pinellas County;


**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Leslie Waters, by the virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Seminole, Florida do hereby proclaim September 2024 as:

## ***National Suicide Prevention Month***

And urge all citizens to join me in doing what they can by being kind, curious, and connected to end suicide in Seminole.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Seminole, Florida, to be affixed this 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2024.



  
Leslie Waters, Mayor