



OFFICE OF THE  
MAYOR  
CITY OF SAN LUIS

# *Proclamation*

## NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

### September 2023

**WHEREAS**; September is known globally as “Suicide Prevention Month”, the National Suicide Prevention Month Proclamation was created to raise the visibility of the mental health resources and suicide prevention services available in our community. The goal is to start the conversation about mental health and the impact of suicide to help destigmatize the conversation and help connect people with the appropriate support services; and

**WHEREAS**; According to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), suicide is the 10<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death among adults, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 10 and 34 in the US; and

**WHEREAS**; more than 48,000 people died by suicide across the United States each year, with an average of 132 suicides completed daily; and

**WHEREAS**; each and every suicide directly impact a minimum of 100 additional people, including family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, and community members; and

**WHEREAS**0 we encourage all residents to take the time to understand the importance of mental health education and recognize that taking care of ourselves and others includes taking care of mental health.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that, I, Nieves Riedel, Mayor of the City of San Luis, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2023, as “**National Suicide Prevention Month**”, in the City of San Luis, Arizona.

**DATED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2023.

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Nieves Riedel, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk