



TOWNSHIP OF SCHAUMBURG

Proclamation

In Recognition of
“Mental Health Awareness Month”

WHEREAS, millions of Americans are affected by mental illness each year including, one in five U.S. adults experience mental illness each year, one in six U.S. youth aged 6-17 experience a mental disorder each year and suicide is the second leading cause of death in people aged ten-14, according to the National Alliance on Mental Illnesses; and

WHEREAS, Americans facing mental health issues have historically faced stigma surrounding their mental illness and a lack of available services. The Township recognizes the need for and value of mental health advocates in the community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Schaumburg has long supported mental health initiatives in the community by having a Mental Health Committee since the 1970. The Committee and Township have partnered to provide support to local agencies offering services related to behavioral health, alcohol and drug abuse, addiction, domestic violence, sexual assault and more. In 2022 the Township established a Mental Health Board to oversee an annual levy related to mental health, developmental disabilities, substance abuse and addiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, Supervisor Heneghan and Township of Schaumburg Trustees, on this 24th day of May, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2023 as **MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH** in the Township of Schaumburg.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Township of Schaumburg to be affixed this 24th day of May 2023.

Timothy M. Heneghan, Township Supervisor