

WHEREAS, millions of Americans are affected by mental illness. Specifically, 1 in 5 U.S. adults experience mental illness every year according to the National Alliance on Mental Illness; and

WHEREAS, cultural stigma, waitlists and financial constraints are a few of the many barriers prohibiting Americans from getting the help they need; and

WHEREAS, the Township has partnered with local mental health agencies for decades including supporting events such as the annual Minds Matter Mental Health Fair; and

WHEREAS, Schaumburg Township constituents voted to establish a Mental Health Board to address community needs 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 April, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2024 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 April 2024.

Timothy M. Heneghan, Township Supervisor