

RESOLUTION

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, mental illness will strike one in four Americans in a given year without regard to age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, one in five children suffer from diagnosable mental, emotional, or behavioral disorder, and one in ten have a serious disorder which, if left untreated, can lead to school failure, substance abuse, and even suicide; and

WHEREAS, the causes of brain disorders are not fully understood but the illnesses are treatable and recovery is possible if those affected receive effective treatment, advocacy, and support; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Boards serving the Peninsula celebrate National Mental Health Month each year in May to raise awareness of mental health, mental illness, and discrimination against people with mental illnesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, hereby proclaims May as Mental Health Awareness Month.

Ronald A. Nervitt
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 9th day of May, 2000.

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