

## TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK | OFFICE OF THE MAYOR







WHEREAS, the month of September 2023 is being recognized as "Suicide Awareness Month," we want to raise the visibility of mental health and proactive suicide prevention resources in our community; and

WHEREAS, Arizona ranks 38<sup>th</sup> in the nation for deaths by suicide; and

WHEREAS, suicide is the 10<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in Arizona and the 11<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, 988 is available nationwide as the new number to contact for mental health, substance use and suicide cases and will allow people to quickly connect with support during a crisis, no matter where they live; and

WHEREAS, in Queen Creek, there are numerous organizations that continue to work together to educate Queen Creek and Arizona citizens about available suicide prevention support services for teens and adults.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Julia Wheatley, Mayor of the Town of Queen Creek, do hereby proclaim September 2023 as

## **Suicide Prevention Awareness Month**

WITNESS MY HAND this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of September, 2023.

Julia Wheatley, Vice Mayor

Maria Gonzalez Town Clerk