IN RECOGNITION OF THE INAUGURAL SOUTH FLORIDA MENTAL WELLNESS SUMMIT & EXPO DAY

OCTOBER 23, 2025

WHEREAS, MENTAL ILLNESS AFFECTS THOUGHTS, FEELINGS, BEHAVIORS, AND GENERAL INTERACTION WITH OTHERS AND THE STIGMA ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL ILLNESS MUST BE ADDRESSED SO THAT NO ONE FEELS SHAME OR DISGRACE IN SEEKING HELP AND TREATMENT; AND

WHEREAS, IN RESPONSE TO THE NEED FOR SELF-CARE AND IDENTIFYING AND TREATING MENTAL ILLNESS, A GRASSROOTS EFFORT WAS UNDERTAKEN BY THE PRINCIPAL MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS IN BROWARD COUNTY (INCLUDING COUNTY/FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE SECTOR, AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS), TO JOIN FORCES IN A HISTORIC EFFORT TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND EDUCATION BY HOLDING A SUMMIT ON OCTOBER 23, 2025; AND

WHEREAS,
THE "INAUGURAL" SOUTH FLORIDA MENTAL WELLNESS SUMMIT & EXPO TITLED RESILIENCE IN ACTION, A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON MENTAL HEALTH, PRESENTED BY AETNA AND BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB AND ORGANIZING SPONSOR MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA, BRING TOGETHER THE LEADING MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS IN SOUTH FLORIDA FROM COUNTY/FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE PRACTICE, NONPROFITS, AND ACADEMIA TO DISCUSS AND EXAMINE THE CURRENT ISSUES RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH IN BROWARD COUNTY AFFECTING ALL POPULATIONS; AND

WHEREAS, EVERYONE WANTING TO LEARN ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH AND ISSUES FACING OUR COMMUNITIES, WHETHER YOU'RE A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, FIRST RESPONDER, COMMUNITY LEADER, BUSINESS OWNER, ELECTED OFFICIAL, OR JUST SIMPLY A CONCERNED CITIZEN, YOU'LL LEARN FROM THE SOUTH FLORIDA MENTAL WELLNESS SUMMIT & EXPO INFORMATION TOOLS AND A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHALLENGES AFFECTING MENTAL HEALTH; AND

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD REMAINS COMMITTED TO RAISING AWARENESS IN ORDER TO COMBAT STIGMA AND EDUCATE OUR COMMUNITY ABOUT MENTAL WELLNESS; NOW

THEREFORE, JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 23, 2025, AS:

THE INAUGURAL SOUTH FLORIDA MENTAL WELLNESS SUMMIT & EXPO DAY

SIGNED THIS 22ND DAY OF OCTOBER 2025, AT HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY
VICE MAYOR IDELMA QUINTANA
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI
COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN