



**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON  
Ozaukee County, Wisconsin**

***A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY AS “MENTAL HEALTH MONTH” AND  
WEEK OF MAY 1<sup>st</sup> AS “CHILDREN’S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK”***

**WHEREAS**, mental health is essential to everyone’s overall health and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions, with a strong body of research supporting specific tools that all Americans can use to better handle challenges, and protect their health and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation and, with early and effective treatment, individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

**WHEREAS**, all community residents and organizations share in the challenge of mental health problems and can help promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, our Port Washington-Sauville School District, as part of its “Character Counts” Program, has launched a “Mental Health” committee comprised of over 30 people with the goal of identifying resources available to improve quality of life for affected students and families, providing staff members with support they need to ensure a successful educational outcome for children with mental health conditions, and encouraging broader community understanding of mental health concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, various agencies, organizations, and nonprofit groups working in unison to highlight the importance of mental health for all Americans recognize the month of May as “Mental Health Awareness Month” and the week of May 1<sup>st</sup> as “Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week”;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Tom Mlada, Mayor of the City of Port Washington, do hereby proclaim May 2017 as “Mental Health Awareness Month” and the week of May 1<sup>st</sup> as “Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week” in our City of Port Washington, and call upon all our residents, business partners, and schools to assist in our community-wide efforts to increase awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Port Washington to be affixed, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May in the Year Two Thousand and Seventeen.

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Tom Mlada, Mayor