

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: Monday, May 5, 2025

SUBJECT: Resolution of National Mental Health Awareness Month in Henderson County

PRESENTER: Chairman William Lapsley

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1.) Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners is requested to adopt the attached Resolution of National Mental Health Awareness Month in Henderson County in May, 2025.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to adopt the attached Resolution as presented.

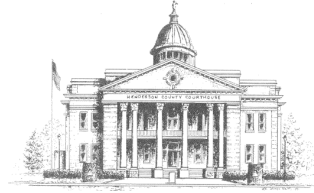
SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move that the Board adopt the attached Resolution of National Mental Health Awareness Month in Henderson County.

Henderson County Board of Commissioners

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RESOLUTION OF NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH IN HENDERSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, the month of May is designated as National Mental Health Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, mental health is an essential component of overall health and well-being for individuals, families, and our community; and

WHEREAS, Henderson County residents have endured significant stressors over the past year, including the profound emotional and psychological impacts of Tropical Storm Helene and the recent wildfires, which have disrupted lives, displaced residents, and strained community resources; and

WHEREAS, these events underscore the urgent need for mental health awareness, timely access to care, and a coordinated system of support, especially in the wake of trauma, loss, and uncertainty; and

WHEREAS, the Henderson County Department of Public Health is committed to strengthening the mental and emotional wellness of our residents and has initiated the formation of a countywide Behavioral Health Coalition to address needs, identify gaps, and drive collaborative solutions; and

WHEREAS, community partners including schools, healthcare providers, first responders, nonprofit organizations, faith-based groups, and residents are actively engaged in spreading the message that mental health matters and that help is available; and

WHEREAS, the Henderson County Partnership for Health is spearheading Mental Health Awareness Month activities across the county, encouraging open conversations, reducing stigma, and promoting community engagement and healing; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to recognize that prevention, early intervention, postvention, and long-term mental health supports are key to a thriving and resilient Henderson County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize **National Mental Health Awareness Month** in Henderson County and calls upon individuals, families, organizations, and government agencies to recommit to promoting mental wellness, supporting those affected by mental health challenges, and building a compassionate, connected, and resilient community.

Adopted this 5th day of May 2025.

WILLIAM LAPSLEY, CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

DENISA LAUFFER, CLERK TO THE BOARD