

TOWNSHIP OF DARBY

DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION 2018-02

**Whereas**, good mental health is a key component in a child's healthy development and Children's Mental Health Week provides the opportunity to focus on this important matter, while celebrating the accomplishments of children and families affected by mental health concerns; and

**Whereas**, according to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, one in five children is diagnosed with a mental health condition; and

**Whereas**, research has shown early identification and appropriate treatment of mental health disorders among children and adolescents provide them better opportunities to lead full and productive lives; and

**Whereas**, children and youth with mental health challenges and their families benefit from access to timely services and supports that are family-driven, youth guided and culturally appropriate; they also benefit from the integration of behavioral health in primary care, education, and child welfare; and

**Whereas**, it is important that children and adolescents, along with their families and communities, learn about the warning signs of mental health disorder and where to obtain necessary assistance and treatment; and

**Whereas**, obtaining a full and accurate diagnosis of a child requires gathering information from diverse sources, including the family, school and others involved with that child; and

**Whereas**, early diagnosis and appropriate treatment of mental health disorders among children and adolescents provide them better opportunities to lead full and productive lives; and

**Whereas**, Children's Mental Health Awareness Week was developed by families of youth with emotional, behavioral and social challenges to focus on the needs of their children and families; and

**Whereas**, in celebrating this week, it is fitting to increase public awareness among all residents of **Township of Darby** of this important issue and diminish stigma.


**Now, Therefore**, be it resolved, that the **Township of Darby** does hereby proclaim **May 7-13, 2018** as

**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK**

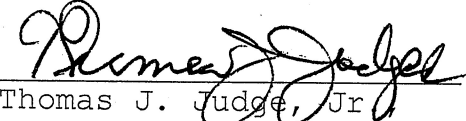
**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** into a Resolution and passed by Darby Township's Board of Commissioners on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.

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BY:

  
Richard Womack,  
President

ATTEST:

  
Thomas J. Judge, Jr.  
Secretary