



# SISKIYOU COUNTY

## Behavioral Health Advisory Board

A Commitment to Service

### PROCLAMATION – MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

**Whereas**, mental health is essential to our overall health and well-being and plays a critical role in the vitality of our families, communities, schools, and workplaces; and

**Whereas**, one in five Americans experiences a mental health condition each year, and everyone benefits from promoting mental wellness and early access to care; and

**Whereas**, Mental Health Awareness Month has been recognized nationally since 1949 to increase awareness of mental health, reduce stigma, and promote recovery, resilience, and hope; and

**Whereas**, stigma, silence, and misunderstanding often prevent individuals from seeking help, while open conversations and supportive communities encourage healing, connection, and recovery; and

**Whereas**, integrating mental health and substance use disorder services into a comprehensive behavioral health system improves access to care, supports whole-person health, and strengthens outcomes for individuals and families; and

**Whereas**, California's transition from the Mental Health Services Act to the Behavioral Health Services Act reflects a statewide commitment to expanding behavioral health services, strengthening the behavioral health workforce, and integrating mental health and substance use disorder treatment to better serve individuals and communities; and

**Whereas**, behavioral health integration helps ensure that individuals can receive coordinated care across providers, services, and community supports, allowing people to live, work, learn, and participate fully in their communities; and

**Whereas**, the Siskiyou County Behavioral Health Agency, together with its community partners and service providers, remains committed to promoting mental wellness, improving access to integrated behavioral health services, empowering individuals and families, and strengthening the well-being of our communities.

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Supervisor Nancy Ogren

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**Now, therefore, be it resolved**, that we, the members of the **Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors**, do hereby proclaim the month of **May 2026** as **Mental Health Awareness Month** in Siskiyou County and encourage all residents, businesses, organizations, and agencies to work collaboratively to increase awareness, reduce stigma, support recovery, and promote behavioral health and well-being throughout our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 5th day of May 2026, by the following vote:"

AYES: Supervisors

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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RAY A. HAUPT, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Laura Bynum, County Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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