

Office of the Mayor

CITY OF MILWAUKEE



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hereas:

The City of Milwaukee proudly joins Mental Health America of Wisconsin and community members in celebrating Children's Mental Health Awareness Day on Thursday, May 7, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, Children's Mental Health Awareness Day commits to supporting and prioritizing children's mental health by addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth and families; and,

WHEREAS, Children's Mental Health Awareness Day acknowledges that in the early years of a child's life, children experience a period of rapid brain development that lays the foundation for all future learning; and,

WHEREAS, Children's Mental Health Awareness Day recognizes that one in five children in Wisconsin have a diagnosed mental health condition; and,

WHEREAS, Children's Mental Health Awareness Day combats the stigma surrounding mental illness and the shortage of mental health professionals by increasing access to treatment; and,

WHEREAS, Children's Mental Health Awareness Day this year calls on each community member to ask themselves, especially in this time of COVID-19, how they can provide caring interactions with children and support caregivers; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Milwaukee commends Mental Health America of Wisconsin for their dedicated service and strong leadership, recognizes their outstanding contributions to the children and families of Milwaukee and wishes them continued success;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOM BARRETT, Mayor of the City of Milwaukee, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 7, 2020, to be

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY

throughout the City of Milwaukee.

TOM BARRETT
Mayor