



# *City of Bethel Proclamation*

*Proclaiming September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as  
"Suicide Prevention Day" in Bethel, Alaska.*

**WHEREAS**, suicide is one of the most disruptive and tragic events a family and community can experience; and

**WHEREAS**, Alaska has the highest per capita suicide rate in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the issues of suicide and how to prevent it is of extreme importance and must be recognized as an immediate need for awareness and prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, statistics show that awareness, education, and action do save lives; and

**WHEREAS**, heightened community awareness will encourage communities to develop strategies to address and prevent suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 is World Suicide Prevention Day;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Richard Robb, Mayor of the City of Bethel, do hereby proclaim September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as "Suicide Prevention Day" in Bethel, Alaska.

**IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF**, I hereby affix my signature on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015.

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Richard Robb, Mayor

Attest:

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Lori Strickler, City Clerk