In the Name and by the Authority of

THE STATE OF OHIO

WHEREAS, 1.4 million Ohioans have a mental health condition; and

WHEREAS, 600,000 adult Ohioans have a serious mental illness; and

WHEREAS, one in five U.S. adults experiences mental illness each year; and

WHEREAS, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in society; and

WHEREAS, mental health is an essential part of overall health; and

WHEREAS, it is more important than ever to build a strong mental health system that provides quality and person-centered care, support, and services for all Ohioans; and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio will continue to promote efforts to eradicate harmful stigmas that can keep people from seeking help for mental health concerns and illness; and

WHEREAS, with effective prevention, treatment, and recovery supports, Ohioans with mental health conditions can recover and lead healthy, fulfilling lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize May 2023 as

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

on this 1st day of May 2023.

Mike DeWine
Governor

Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor