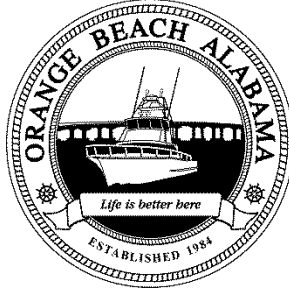


From the Governing Body of the
CITY OF ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA



Proclamation

Whereas, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

Whereas, all Americans face challenges in life that can impact their mental health; and

Whereas, prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and

Whereas, there are practical tools that all people can use to improve their mental health and increase resiliency; and

Whereas, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation; and

Whereas, with effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

Whereas, over 500,000 Americans live with Tardive Dyskinesia, a movement disorder resulting from certain mental health medications; and

Whereas, the first week of May is designated as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week; and

Whereas, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Orange Beach City Council and Mayor that May 2023 is

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

and the first week in May is

TARDIVE DYSKINESIA WEEK

in Orange Beach, Alabama, and citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools are encouraged to increase awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, this 18th day of April, 2023.

Tony Kennon, Mayor