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Proclamation

- Whereas,** mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and
- Whereas,** all West Virginians experience difficult, taxing, and stressful times in their lives; and
- Whereas,** prevention, education, and outreach are effective ways to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and
- Whereas,** mental health and substance dependency conditions are real and prevalent in the state of West Virginia and our city of Morgantown; and
- Whereas,** with effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive, and meaningful lives; and
- Whereas,** a supportive community is necessary in creating an environment that encourages recovery and reduces stigmas; and
- Whereas,** Morgantown has a network of agencies and organizations dedicated to assisting these individuals recover, live independently, and participate in our community; 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, I, Jenny Selin, Mayor of the City of Morgantown, West Virginia do hereby proclaim on May 29, 2015, the month of May as

Mental Health Month

in the City of Morgantown and as the Mayor, I also call upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools in Morgantown to recommit our community to increasing 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 hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Morgantown to be hereto affixed this

Seal:

Jenny Selin, Mayor