

- WHEREAS, founded in 1986, the National Alliance on Mental Illness Greater Orlando (NAMIGO) is an organization dedicated to the eradication of the stigma associated with mental illnesses and to the improvement of the quality of life for all whose lives are affected by these diseases; and
- WHEREAS, NAMIGO recognizes that the key concepts of recovery, resiliency and support are essential to improving the wellness and quality of life of all persons affected by mental illness; and
- WHEREAS, mental illnesses should not be an obstacle to a full and meaningful life for persons who live with them. NAMIGO advocates at all levels to ensure that, in a timely fashion, all persons affected by mental illness receive the services that they need and deserve: and
- WHEREAS, one in five Americans live with a mental health condition and NAMIGO is dedicated to treating them with kindness, empathy, and an environment that is STIGMA FREE; and
- WHEREAS, thousands of Central Floridians and their families are reached annually through NAMIGO's educational classes and sessions, program activities, support groups and advocacy efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Buddy Dyer, Mayor of the City of Orlando, hereby do proclaim the first week of October 2016 as

"Mental Illness Awareness Week"

in the City of Orlando.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 1st day of October 2016.



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