



**BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

**PROCLAMATION**

**PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MAY 3-9, 2026, AS CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK IN BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.**

**WHEREAS**, mental health is a fundamental aspect of overall health and well-being, influencing the quality of life of individuals, families, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Children's Mental Health Awareness Week is recognized nationally during the first full week of May (May 3-9, 2026), with awareness this year focusing on the critical theme of "Beyond the Screen: Education, Prevention, Connection," highlighting the balance between technology and healthy child development; and

**WHEREAS**, this initiative addresses rising concerns regarding anxiety, depression, and social media impacts on children and youth; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that fostering healthy child development in the digital age requires a proactive approach to prevention and a commitment to nurturing real-world connections beyond the screen; and

**WHEREAS**, early intervention and positive behavioral supports are vital to strengthening families and helping children and youth reach their full potential; and

**WHEREAS**, our community is committed to promoting awareness, fostering connection, and supporting initiatives that advance mental health for all residents, particularly our youngest members; now therefore

**BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED**, that we do hereby proclaim the week of May 3–9, 2026, as Children's Mental Health Awareness Week in Baldwin County, Alabama, and call upon our community to encourage and support the mental wellness of children, youth, and families.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, to be affixed on this the 5th day of May 2026.*

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Commissioner James E. Ball, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Roger H. Rendleman, County Administrator