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2017 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 64

June 16, 2017 - Introduced by Representatives JACQUE, ALLEN, BERNIER, BOWEN, BRANDTJEN, CONSIDINE, KESSLER, KLEEFISCH, MURPHY, PETRYK, ROHRKASTE, TITTL and ZEPNICK, cosponsored by Senators L. TAYLOR, DARLING, BEWLEY, CARPENTER, RINGHAND, SHILLING and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** recognizing September as National Suicide Prevention Month.

2 Whereas, suicide is a national health crisis, with the Center for Disease Control
3 and Prevention reporting that, in 2014, 1.1 million Americans attempted to take
4 their own lives and 42,773 Americans took their own lives, making suicide the tenth
5 leading cause of death in the United States and underscoring that approximately
6 every 12.3 minutes we lose a life to this crisis; and

7 Whereas, the effect of a single suicide is devastating, resulting in anguish and
8 sadness on the part of all those who knew the victim, and this damage can consume
9 a community, forever draining that community of its vitality, innocence, and
10 happiness; and

11 Whereas, suicide affects all races, genders, and age groups, with an estimated
12 quarter million people each year that are suicide survivors, and there are numerous
13 factors such as depression, abuse, alcohol or drug dependency, bullying, and other
14 mental illnesses that contribute to suicide; and

