

# Warren County Board of Supervisors

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) affects approximately 8 million adults, 6% of the U.S. population, in the United States annually, and

**WHEREAS**, PTSD can occur after a person experiences trauma including, but not limited to, the stress of combat, sexual assault, child abuse, domestic violence, accidents and natural disasters, and annually; and

**WHEREAS**, PTSD is associated with chemical changes in the body's hormonal system and autonomic nervous system, and is characterized by symptoms including flashbacks, nightmares, insomnia, avoidance, hypervigilance, anxiety, and depression; and

**WHEREAS**, the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces, who proudly serve the nation and risk their lives to protect our freedom, deserve the investment of every possible resource to ensure their lasting physical, mental, and emotional well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, Combat-related PTSD stress among our men and women in the Armed Forces is significantly pronounced, given that they are often exposed to highly traumatic events for weeks, months, and even years; and

**WHEREAS**, Between 10 and 30 percent of service members will develop PTSD within a year of leaving combat, while others may not develop symptoms until years later; and

**WHEREAS**, Despite its treatability, many cases of PTSD remain undiagnosed and untreated due to a lack of awareness and the stigma associated with mental health conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, Raising awareness of this condition is necessary to remove the stigma and to encourage those suffering to seek proper and timely treatment that may save their lives; and

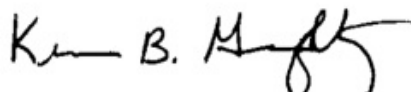
**WHEREAS**, All citizens suffering from PTSD deserve our consideration, and those who are affected by PTSD from wounds received while protecting our freedom, deserve our respect and special honor; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that I, Kevin B. Geraghty, Chairman of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2026 to be

### ***PTSD AWARENESS MONTH***

in Warren County, a time to recognize those who suffer in silence while we seek improved care for PTSD.

**DATED: JUNE 18, 2026**



**KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN  
WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**