

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, we recognize the hard work of those involved in behavioral health crisis system improvement and statewide coordination; and

WHEREAS, Washingtonians are encouraged to spread awareness, share resources and information and encourage open conversations around behavioral health and crisis support;

WHEREAS, the state of Washington is recognized as a leader and innovator in behavioral health crisis care with initiatives like the Native & Strong Lifeline and participation in the State Affinity Workgroup (SAW) for sharing information and resources; and

WHEREAS, the 988 Lifeline is an important crisis resource available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year to anyone experiencing any kind of emotional distress; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Ferguson, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim September 8, 2025, as

988 Day

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 5th day of September, 2025


Governor Bob Ferguson

