PROCLAMATION

Save a Life: Teen Suicide Prevention Week
CHS DECA Chapter

WHEREAS, teen suicide is the 3rd leading cause of death from ages 10 through 24; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 Missouri was ranked 22nd out of the 50 states with a death rate caused by teen suicide of 14.3 and the United States rate is only 11.8; and

WHEREAS, the teen suicide rate has tripled since the 1970's, and every two hours and 7 minutes, a person under the age of 25 commits suicide; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 25 suicide attempts for every completed adolescent suicide; and

WHEREAS, suicidal behaviors and non-suicidal self-injurious behaviors account for the largest reason for emergency room visits and psychiatric hospitalizations; and

WHEREAS, suicide appears to trigger several other suicides within a group such as a school or community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron does herby recognize the formation of Save a Life: Teen Suicide Prevention Week and proclaim December 3 through 7 of 2012 to be

"Save a Life: Teen Suicide Prevention Week"

in Cameron, Missouri.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dennis M. Clark, Mayor of the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri, do hereby present this Proclamation in recognition of ***"Save a Life: Teen Suicide Prevention Week"***. The City of Cameron and City Council look forward to continued success of the Cameron High School DECA Chapter and their continued work in community.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Cameron, Missouri, to be affixed at City Hall this 3rd day of December 2012.

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

Attest:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk