Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month

Whereas, the loss of a pregnancy or an infant is an incredibly painful experience, affecting countless families across our nation; and

Whereas, approximately 1 in 4 pregnancies ends in miscarriage, and nearly 24,000 infants die each year in the United States before their first birthday, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); and

Whereas, the pain and grief of losing a pregnancy or infant are often felt deeply, not only by parents but by extended families, friends, and communities who are impacted by such a devastating loss; and

Whereas, it is essential to raise awareness of the emotional and physical toll that pregnancy and infant loss can have on individuals and families, and to foster understanding, compassion, and support for those who experience this profound sorrow; and

Whereas, October has been designated as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month, a time to honor and remember the precious lives lost, to offer support to those who are grieving, and to share information and resources that can assist families navigating the pain of such a loss; and

Whereas, it is important to provide families with the opportunity to mourn, to find comfort, and to recognize that they are not alone in their grief, and that there are many who share in their sorrow and who offer a helping hand; and

Whereas, the observance of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month encourages empathy, public dialogue, and the promotion of programs, research, and services to help prevent such losses and support families in their healing journey; and

Whereas, the City of Sunrise acknowledges the strength and resilience of parents and families who have experienced the loss of a pregnancy or infant, and stand with them in solidarity, offering support and compassion in their time of grief.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Ryan, Mayor of the City of Sunrise, Florida, together with the City Commissioners do hereby proclaim the month of October 2025 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month in the City of Sunrise and urge all to participate in remembrance activities, provide support to grieving families, and promote awareness of the lasting impact of pregnancy and infant loss.

Witness My Hand and Official Seal of
The City of Sunrise, Florida

Michael J. Ryan, Mayor