

Assembly Concurrent Resolution 23 Designates March 18, 2021 as Construction Suicide Prevention Awareness Day in California



*Assemblymember Villapudua & Associated Builders and Contractors of California
Raise Awareness on Important Issue Impacting the State's Construction Industry*

“Suicide rate in the construction occupations is **49.4/100,000** — that is nearly four times greater than the national average and five times greater than that of all other construction fatalities combined.”

~The Construction Industry Alliance for Suicide Prevention

- ACR 23 is sponsored by the Associated Builders and Contractors of California – a statewide trade association representing working Californians in carpentry, construction, construction craft laborer, electrical, painting, and plumbing who are building commercial, industrial and residential projects – and attempts to raise awareness on an important issue impacting California's construction industry.
- Now more than ever, suicide awareness, education and prevention is an important conversation not only in California but throughout the nation. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, suicide is the 10th leading cause of death overall in the US, 2nd leading cause of death in those under the age of 34, and 4th leading cause of death in those 35 to 54.
- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, “more research is needed to understand why people in the construction industry die from suicide at a higher rate compared to other industries.”

**The Associated Builders
and Contractors
of California and
Assemblymember
Villapudua (D – Stockton)
encourage communities,
local and state leaders, and
the State of California to
work together in raising
awareness and changing
the conversation around
suicide and suicide
prevention.**



For those in need of help, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or text HELLO to 741741 – where every person is connected with a crisis counselor.