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RESOLUTION

**Recognizing the Month of September, 2019 as
"Recovery Month" in New Jersey**

September 15, 2020

WHEREAS, every September, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors *Recovery Month* to increase awareness and understanding of mental health and substance use disorders and celebrate the people who recover; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Recovery Month theme "*Join the Voices for Recovery: Together We Are Stronger*" to spread a message of collective strength; and

WHEREAS, the observance of Recovery Month 2019 features the *Post Your Recovery* campaign delivering words of encouragement from the recovery community, and the *Building Recovery* campaign showing how support can empower those living in recovery as well as individuals seeking help to achieve their recovery goals; and


WHEREAS, Recovery Month 2019 serves to help reduce the stigma and misconceptions that cloud public understanding of mental health and substance use disorders, potentially discouraging others from seeking help; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month 2019 will promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the emergence of a strong and proud recovery community, and the dedication of service providers and community members across the nation who make recovery in all its forms possible; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month 2019 will also focus on community members, first responders, the healthcare community, and youth and emerging leaders highlighting the various entities that support recovery within our society.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse hereby recognizes the month of September 2019 as "Recovery Month" in New Jersey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to Governor Phil Murphy, the New Jersey Legislature, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services; NCADD NJ, County Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Directors and County Alliance Coordinators, and County Mental Health Administrators.


Neil Van Ess, Acting Chairman

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Date