

# RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, **National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month** is a national observance held every September to educate Americans that substance use treatment and mental health services can enable those with a mental and/or substance use disorder to live a healthy and rewarding life; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month helps people become more aware and able to recognize the signs of mental health and substance use disorder and encourages people in need of recovery services to seek help; and

WHEREAS, mental health and substance use disorders affect all communities nationwide, with commitment and support, those impacted can embark on a journey of improved health and overall wellness; and

WHEREAS, barriers to accessing treatment facilities exist and are a significant problem for people with alcohol or drug use disorders; therefore, the Ocean County Health Department Alcohol and Drug Abuse Unit offers counseling opportunities for individuals and their families and referrals to treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Board of Health in response to this concern has created a task force to address this issue; and


WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department also addresses the issues of alcohol and drug abuse in collaboration with the Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and the Providers Advisor Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department oversees the Municipal Alliance Program which offers alcohol and drug prevention programs in almost every municipality in Ocean County to all ages and those of-risk for alcohol and drug abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey does hereby proclaim the month of September 2024 as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month - "Recovery is for Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community" in the County of Ocean; and the Ocean County Board of Health encourages all residents to promote the benefit of treatment and recovery from alcohol and drug addiction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Commissioners, and the Ocean County Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

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Ayes	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Abstain									
Nays									
Absent			✓			✓			

  
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