_____ County

Proclamation – MAC Template

Overdose Awareness Day and Recovery Month

WHEREAS, Overdose Awareness Day is recognized internationally on August 31 annually to raise awareness of drug overdose, stigma associated with overdose deaths and acknowledge grief experienced by families and friends remembering those lost and injured as a result of drug overdose; and,

WHEREAS, Recovery Month is recognized nationally throughout the month of September to promote new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the strength and resilience of the recovery community and highlight the providers and communities that support recovery from substance use disorders; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan lost just under 3,000 individuals to overdose in 2023 with __ lives lost in _____ County; and,

WHEREAS, there were over 28,000 non-fatal emergency department visits in Michigan due to overdose in 2023 with __ visits in _____ County; and,

WHEREAS, substance use disorder and co-occurring substance use disorders and mental health conditions have wide-ranging adverse effects on individuals, families and communities; and,

WHEREAS, behavioral health is a critical part of overall health and wellness; and,

WHEREAS, we encourage family and friends of people who use drugs to implement preventative measures, recognize the signs of drug overdose and support accessing support services, as recovery is possible; now,

THEREFORE, _____ County hereby proclaims August 31, 2025 as **International Overdose Awareness Day** and September 2025 as **National Recovery Month** and call upon our community to observe these occasions.

SIGNATURES

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