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RESOLUTION

**Recognizing the Month of September 2021 as
"Recovery Month" in New Jersey**

January 18, 2022

WHEREAS, now in its 32nd year, National Recovery Month celebrates the gains made by those in recovery, just as we celebrate improvements made by those who are managing other health conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, asthma, and heart disease; and

WHEREAS, each September, National Recovery Month works to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the emergence of a strong and proud recovery community, and the dedication of services providers and community members across the nation who make recovery in all its forms possible.

WHEREAS, the 2021 National Recovery Month theme is *Recovery is for Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community*, reminding people in recovery and those who support them that no one is alone in the journey through recovery, that everyone's journey is different, but we are all in this together; and

WHEREAS, National Recovery Month 2021 will continue to educate others about substance use disorders and co-occurring disorders, combat the related stigma, raising awareness about the effectiveness of treatment and recovery services, and that recovery is possible; and

WHEREAS, *National Addiction Professionals Day* will be celebrated on September 20, 2021, as part of National Recovery Month, to recognize the continuum of care, and commemorate the work of addiction professionals; and

WHEREAS, *Faces & Voices of Recovery* has created a new Recovery Month website that will host all Recovery Month events and assets that make this celebration possible; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse hereby recognizes the month of September 2021 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

January 18, 2022

Date