

Executive Department

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, behavioral health is an essential part of one's overall health and wellness, and prevention works, treatment is effective, and people can and do recover from substance use; and

WHEREAS, it is critical to educate our policymakers, friends, family members, health care providers and businesses that substance abuse and mental health disorders are treatable, and that people should seek assistance for these conditions, with the same urgency as they would any other health condition; and

WHEREAS, all Ohioans have access to quality, cost-effective, community-based alcohol and other drug addiction prevention, treatment and recovery support services including traditional therapies and, when appropriate, medication-assisted treatment options that help to ensure long-term recovery; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse remains a serious public health problem in Ohio; and nearly 100,500 Ohioans benefitted from publicly funded alcohol and other drug addiction treatment services in 2010; and

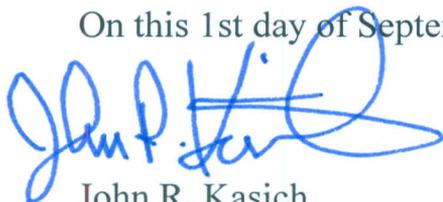
WHEREAS, helping more people achieve long-term recovery and learning how recovery positively benefits Ohio and the nation's overall well-being is of the utmost importance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate September, 2011

NATIONAL ALCOHOL & DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

throughout Ohio and call upon the citizens of this great state to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies supporting this year's theme, "Join the Voices of Recovery: Recovery Benefits Everyone."

On this 1st day of September, 2011;



John R. Kasich
Governor

