

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, substance use disorder is a chronic health issue, not unlike other chronic health issues such as diabetes and cancer; and

WHEREAS, approximately 13,000 Missoula residents have struggled or are struggling with substance use, and nearly 10,000 of those have sought or are engaged in recovery support; and

WHEREAS, recovery from substance use and/or mental health is not only possible, it is an essential part of overall health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, stigma and stereotypes surrounding substance use disorder often deter people from seeking treatment; and

WHEREAS, public education, awareness and open discussion can promote recovery from substance use disorders and more effective treatments of substance use disorders.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrea Davis, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the month of September, 2024 as:

NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, to be affixed at Missoula, Montana, this 2nd day of September, in the year two thousand twenty-four.



Andrea Davis
Mayor