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County of Montmorency Board of Commissioners

Resolution #2023-13

PROCLAMATION FOR OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY AND RECOVERY MONTH

At the meeting of the County of Montmorency Board of Commissioners held in the County of Montmorency Building located in Atlanta, Michigan on September 7, 2023.

PRESENT: Dell Bolser, Gary Girardin, Mary Hardies and Lloyd Peltier

ABSENT: Don Edwards

The following resolution was made by **Mary Hardies** and seconded by **Dell Bolser**, to-wit:

WHEREAS, Overdose Awareness Day is recognized internationally on Aug. 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 more than 3,000 individuals to overdose in 2021, the 5-year average for fatal overdose through 2020 was 44 per 100,000 for Montmorency County,

WHEREAS, there were approximately 31,000 non-fatal emergency department visits in Michigan due to overdose in 2021, the 3 year average for nonfatal overdose presenting in emergency departments through 2020 was 70 per 100,000 for Montmorency County,

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, Montmorency County hereby proclaims Aug. 31, 2023, as International Overdose Awareness Day and September 2023 as National Recovery Month and call upon our community to observe these occasions.

YES: Dell Bolser, Gary Girardin, Mary Hardies and Lloyd Peltier


NO: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

CERTIFICATION


I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Montmorency at a regular meeting held on **September 7, 2023**, the original of which resolution is on file in my office. I further certify that notice of said meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of the open meetings act.

Dated: **September 7, 2023**



Cheryl A. Neilsen, Clerk
County of Montmorency, Michigan

Dated: **September 7, 2023**



Gary Girardin, Vice Chairperson
County of Montmorency, Michigan