

County of Polk



Board of Supervisors

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, there are more than 23 million Americans in long-term recovery, with 2.6 million aged 12 or older receiving specialty treatment for a substance use disorder each year. Given the serious nature of this public health problem, we must encourage residents of our county to implement preventive measures, recognize the signs of a substance use problem, and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and recovery.

WHEREAS, with community support for effective treatment and for individuals and families in recovery, we all benefit through lower health costs, reduced strain on public services, productive citizenry and healthier communities.

WHEREAS, in support of long-term recovery, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), the Polk County Board of Supervisors, and Prelude Behavioral Services invite all residents of Polk County to participate in National Recovery Month 2016 activities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the Polk County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim September, 2016 as:

National Recovery Month

in Polk County, Iowa and urge all residents to learn more about addiction and show support for individuals and families in recovery .

Dated this 13th day, of September, 2016

Tom Hockensmith, Chair
POLK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS