

**PROCLAMATION
TO DECLARE SEPTEMBER 2021
AS NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH
IN THE CITY OF TROY**

WHEREAS, Substance use recovery is important for individual well-being and vitality, as well as for families, communities and businesses; and

WHEREAS, According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in 2019, 9.5 million people ages 18 and older had both a substance abuse disorder and a mental illness; and

WHEREAS, We will continue to educate and raise awareness of the risks and potential harm associated with prescription drug misuse. We believe everyone facing substance use disorders deserves the benefit of recovery; and

WHEREAS, Stigma and stereotypes associated with substance use disorders often keep people from seeking treatment that could improve quality of life. Substance use disorders occur when the recurrent use of alcohol and/or drugs causes clinically or functionally significant impairment, such as health problems, disability, and failure to meet major responsibilities at work, school, or home; and

WHEREAS, Substance use disorder recovery is a journey of healing and transformation, enabling people to live in a community of his/her choice while striving to achieve his/her full potential; and

WHEREAS, Substance use disorder recovery benefits individuals with substance use disorders by focusing on their abilities to live, work, learn, and fully participate and contribute to our society, and also enriches the culture of our community; and

WHEREAS, Thursday, September 16, 2021, marks the 14th Annual Oakland County Substance Abuse Recovery Celebration and Walk, held at Oakland Community Health Network's Troy Location at 5505 Corporate Drive;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy hereby recognizes **September 2021 as National Recovery Month**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy joins with Oakland Community Health Network and calls upon our citizens, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of substance use, and the need for appropriate and accessible services to promote recovery.

Presented this 13th day of September 2021.