



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Substance use disorder hurts individuals, harms families, and undermines communities; and

WHEREAS: Thousands of people in Minnesota have achieved long-term recovery from substance use disorder; and

WHEREAS: By commemorating the strength and commitment of people in recovery and by recognizing the many ways people find recovery, we can counter misconceptions and stigmas associated with substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS: An estimated 450,000 to 500,000 Minnesotans are directly impacted by substance use; and

WHEREAS: 7 in 10 adults with a substance use disorder consider themselves to be recovering or in recovery; and

WHEREAS: Providing timely, equitable, and culturally appropriate prevention, treatment, and recovery services is vital for those struggling with substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS: Investments in community-based services, along with support from families and communities, contribute to recovery for individuals with substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota continues to build and maintain a wide range of prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts, including peer recovery programs; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota continues to work with its many partners including the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and in communities across the state to provide support for all people in Minnesota no matter where they are in their recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as:

RECOVERY MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 29th day of August.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tim Walz".

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Steve Simon".

SECRETARY OF STATE