

# Proclamation

## NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH

September 2014

*WHEREAS, York/Adams Drug and Alcohol Commission promotes National Recovery Month to celebrate those who have overcome their addiction and to recognize those still working towards recovery; and*

*WHEREAS, the focus of National Recovery Month is to celebrate the path of recovery and the journey of individuals to this end; and*

*WHEREAS, recovery is an essential part of behavioral health and one's overall wellness; and*

*WHEREAS, the prevention and treatment of mental and/or substance use disorders is effective, and individuals do recover locally and throughout the nation; and*

*WHEREAS, we must encourage relatives and friends of people with mental and/or substance use disorders to implement preventive measures, recognize the signs of a problem, and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and*

*WHEREAS, according to the 2012 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, Of the 20.6 million persons aged 12 or older in 2012 who were classified as needing substance use treatment but did not receive treatment at a specialty facility in the past year, 1.1 million persons (5.4 percent) reported that they needed treatment for their illicit drug or alcohol use problem. Of these 1.1 million persons who felt they needed treatment, 347,000 (31.3 percent) reported that they made an effort to get treatment. Based on combined 2009-2012 data, the primary reason for not receiving treatment among this group of persons was a lack of insurance coverage and inability to pay the cost (38.2 percent); and*

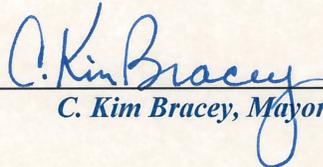
*WHEREAS, we must ensure that all of these individuals achieve and maintain success in their recovery efforts by promoting alternative activities and healthy lifestyles for those in our communities.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE YORK CITY MAYOR AND YORK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PENNSYLVANIA, do hereby proclaim September 2014 as National Recovery Month and encourage all citizens to observe and support National Recovery Month to help more people achieve and sustain long term recovery.**

*GIVEN this day in York, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on the fourth day of September in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Fourteen.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names:*

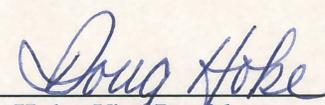
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C. Kim Bracey, Mayor

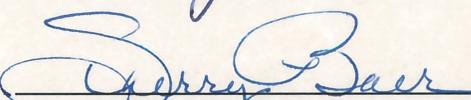


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