

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JULY 9, 2015

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of September 2015 as "National Recovery  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Behavioral health is an essential part of overall  
4 wellness; and

5 WHEREAS, Prevention and treatment of mental illness and  
6 substance abuse are effective; and

7 WHEREAS, Prevention and treatment are essential to achieving  
8 physical and emotional health; and

9 WHEREAS, Through prevention and treatment, people recover in  
10 this Commonwealth and around the nation; and

11 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives encourages relatives  
12 and friends of affected individuals to implement preventive  
13 measures, recognize the signs of a problem and guide those in  
14 need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and

1       WHEREAS, According to the 2013 National Survey on Drug Use  
2 and Health, 2.5 million people 12 years of age or older received  
3 specialty treatment for substance abuse; and

4       WHEREAS, According to the survey, 34.6 million adults 18  
5 years of age or older received mental health services; and

6       WHEREAS, The serious nature of this public health problem  
7 demands continued outreach to the millions more who need help;  
8 and

9       WHEREAS, The United States Department of Health and Human  
10 Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services  
11 Administration, the White House Office of National Drug Control  
12 Policy and the Commonwealth invite all residents of our  
13 communities to participate in "National Recovery Month"  
14 observances; therefore be it

15       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
16 month of September 2015 as "National Recovery Month" in  
17 Pennsylvania and urge support for this observance.