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**Proclaiming September National Recovery Month**

Each September, the annual observance of National Recovery Month focuses on communities, health care providers, and the various entities that support recovery within our society. Now in its 29th year, the theme for 2018 Recovery Month is: **Join the Voices for Recovery: Invest in Health, Home, Purpose, and Community**. The theme is intended to highlight the ways that integrated care, a strong community, a sense of purpose, and leadership contribute to effective treatment that sustains the recovery of people with mental health and substance use disorders. Recovery Month also presents an opportunity to celebrate and support thousands of individuals who are successfully living in recovery.

Substance use disorder service providers in both the public and private sector are making valuable contributions to the health and wellness of Los Angeles County residents. This annual observance promotes awareness that *treatment works, and recovery is possible*. Treatment for mental and substance use disorders supports

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individuals to give them the chance to live healthy lives and meaningfully participate in their communities.

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health in partnership with Special Services for Groups, Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs, and the AI-Impics Planning Committee will observe Recovery Month by supporting the annual AI-Impics. This event celebrates individuals who are on the path to recovery through participation in Olympic-style athletic and social games. The AI-Impics will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Los Angeles City Harbor College in Wilmington.

**I, THEREFORE MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors Proclaim September 2018 as National Recovery Month in the County of Los Angeles.

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