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WHEREAS, recovery from substance use disorders is possible through a variety of treatment resources and recovery support programs; and,

WHEREAS, thousands of people across the United States are living happy, healthy and productive lives in recovery; and,

WHEREAS, a community of recovery is beneficial to overcoming misconceptions and helping people achieve long-term recovery; and,

WHEREAS, on September 10th, 2016 the first annual Pittsburgh Recovery Walk gathered over a thousand individuals in Downtown Pittsburgh to celebrate the process and beauty of recovery from substance use disorder through a parade and presentations from Pennsylvania Secretary of Drug and Alcohol Gary Tennis, U.S. Attorney David Kickton, Mayor Bill Peduto; and,

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Recovery Walk provided resources and knowledge to attendees and the community during a recovery expo; and,

WHEREAS, the event would not have been possible without the generous support of Presenting Sponsors University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and Centene; and,

WHEREAS, the countless contributions of our partners, the Allegheny County Department of Human Services, BOOM Creative, Community Care Behavioral Health Organization, Gateway Rehab, Institute for Research, Education and Training in Addictions (IRETA), Journeys of Life, Message Carriers of Pennsylvania, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, The Office of Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto, Onala Recovery Center, Pennsylvania Organization for Women in Early Recovery (POWER), and Pittsburgh Mercy, made the event an extraordinary success which will continue to grow in the years to come; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of **September 2016** to be "**National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month**" in the City of Pittsburgh, and encourages all citizens to recognize treatment and recovery support programs throughout the rest of the year and beyond.