



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor Proclamation

State Capital
Boise

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

WHEREAS, an estimated 319,000 people in Idaho have had a mental health and/or substance use disorder in the past year; and

WHEREAS, prevention of mental health and substance use disorders works, treatment is effective, and people recover in our area and around the nation; and

WHEREAS, preventing and overcoming mental health and substance use disorders is essential to achieving healthy lifestyles, both physically and emotionally; and

WHEREAS, relatives and friends of people with mental and/or substance use disorders should be encouraged to recognize the signs of those in need of appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and

WHEREAS, treatment is less expensive than addiction or incarceration; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "Join the Voices for Recovery: Invest in Health, Home, Purpose, and Community"; and

WHEREAS, to help more people achieve and sustain long-term recovery, the State of Idaho invites all residents of Idaho to participate in "National Recovery Month";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2018 to be

RECOVERY MONTH

in Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have herunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-third and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-ninth.




C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR


LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE