

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**PROCLAMATION NO. 09-111**

Proclaiming September 2009 National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month in Multnomah County, Oregon

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- 23.2 million people aged 12 or older in the United States needed treatment for a substance use disorder in 2007, and 5.4 million adults also suffered from a concurrent mental illness; and
- People who are part of the recovery community lead more productive and fulfilling lives, personally and professionally; and add to the health of our community.
- Real stories of long-term recovery can inspire others to ask for help and improve their own lives, the lives of their families, and the entire community; and
- It is critical that we educate our community members that substance use disorders are serious, but treatable health care problems, and by treating them like other chronic diseases, we can improve the quality of life for the entire community.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:**


The month of September 2009 is proclaimed **NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**. We invite all residents of Multnomah County to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies supporting this year's theme, ***"Join the Voices for Recovery: Together We Learn, Together We Heal"***.

ADOPTED this 17th day of September 2009.

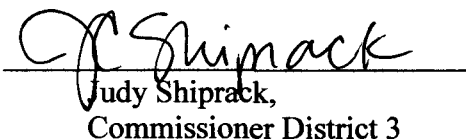
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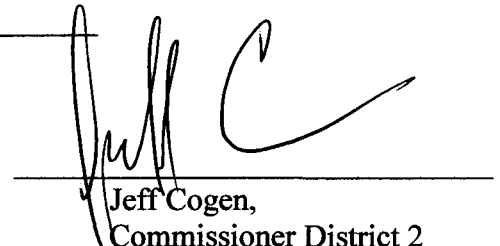
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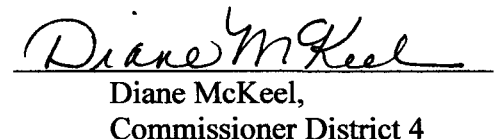
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