

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. 05-161

Proclaiming September 2005 National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month in Multnomah County, Oregon

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

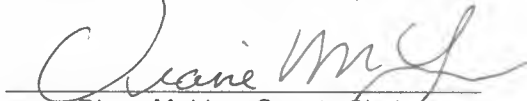
- a. Substance use disorders are a serious and treatable health problem, and as many as 63 percent of Americans say that addiction to alcohol or other drugs has had an impact on them at some point in their lives, whether it was the addiction of a friend or family member or another experience, such as personal addiction;
- b. Assessing our citizens' needs for addiction treatment and referring them to appropriate treatment- and their family members to support services- is a crucial first step in helping people realize that recovery is possible and treatment is effective;
- c. Barriers to accessing treatment programs that can help heal lives, families, and our community are a significant problem for our neighbors, friends, co-workers, and family members with substance use disorders;
- d. Community members seeking treatment deserve affordable, individualized treatment programs;
- e. Celebrating individuals in recovery and their families, and saluting the health care providers who helped them obtain treatment, educates our community about the benefits of treatment and affirms that such providers deserve adequate compensation for their services.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

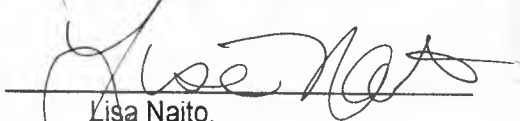
1. To help achieve this goal, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy; and the Department of County Human Services invite all residents of Multnomah County, Oregon to participate in National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month September 2005.
2. The month of September 2005 is proclaimed to be **National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month** in Multnomah County, Oregon.

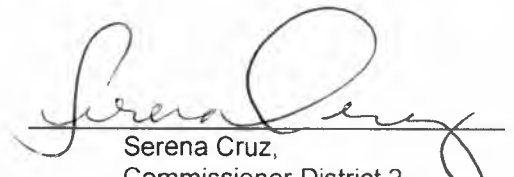
ADOPTED this 22nd day of September 2005.

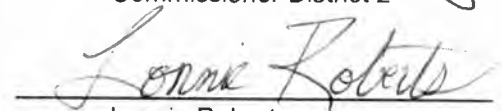
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