## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing the month of September 2018 as "National Recovery Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Behavioral health is an essential part of overall
- 4 wellness; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Prevention and treatment of mental illness and
- 6 substance abuse are effective and essential to achieving
- 7 physical and emotional health; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Through prevention and treatment, individuals around
- 9 the nation and in this Commonwealth are able to recover; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives encourages relatives
- 11 and friends of affected individuals to implement preventative
- 12 measures, recognize the signs of a problem and guide individuals
- 13 in need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services;
- 14 and
- WHEREAS, According to the 2015 National Survey on Drug Use
- 16 and Health, 23.5 million individuals 12 years of age or older
- 17 required treatment for substance abuse disorders; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The survey also indicated that nearly 40% of the

- 1 43.7 million Americans 18 years of age or older who experienced
- 2 a mental illness in the past year remained untreated; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The serious nature of this public health problem
- 4 demands continued outreach to the millions of individuals who
- 5 need help; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Health and Human
- 7 Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
- 8 Administration and the Commonwealth invite all residents of our
- 9 communities to participate in "National Recovery Month"
- 10 observances; therefore be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 12 month of September 2018 as "National Recovery Month" in
- 13 Pennsylvania and urge support for this observance.