

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Department of Mental Health

SUBMITTAL DATE:

SUBJECT: Recovery Happens Month

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Supervisors proclaim September 2007 as Substance Abuse "Recovery Happens Month."

BACKGROUND: The Department of Mental Health is requesting that September 2007 be proclaimed as "Recovery Happens Month."

Now in its thirteenth year, "Recovery Happens Month" has been instrumental in enhancing the public's knowledge of the problematic use of alcohol and other drugs in California; in promoting the success of California's diverse substance abuse prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery programs and providers; celebrating and recognizing the extraordinary achievements of those individuals and their families in recovery.

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Jerry Wengard

Jerry Wengard, Director
Department of Mental Health

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2007/2008

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

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FORM APPROVED
COUNTY COUNSEL
Larisa R. Winkler

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Policy Policy
Consent Consent

Dep't Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: All

Agenda Number:

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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

PROCLAMATION

“RECOVERY HAPPENS MONTH”

WHEREAS, celebrating individuals in substance abuse recovery and recognizing the achievement of those individuals and their families helps educate our community about the benefits of treatment, affirms that substance use disorders are treatable, and builds a stronger, healthier community; and

WHEREAS, successful completion of substance abuse treatment and recovery programs reduces: unnecessary county health care costs, lost productivity, the number of people incarcerated, street and gang violence, school dropout rates, crime, recidivism, the burden on law enforcement, and the financial drain on our economy; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse treatment improves the quality of life for individuals, families and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, we welcome and support individuals and their families in all stages of recovery; and

WHEREAS, thousands of individuals are now living clean and sober, productive, responsible lives as a result of substance abuse treatment and recovery services in this county; and

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors demonstrates its continued support and commitment to substance abuse treatment and recovery, and does hereby proclaim the month of September 2007, “Recovery Happens Month”.