

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

122A



**FROM:** Department of Mental Health

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
September 1, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Recovery Happens Month

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Move that the Board of Supervisors proclaim September 2010 as Substance Abuse "Recovery Happens Month."

**BACKGROUND:** The Department of Mental Health is requesting that September 2010 be proclaimed as "Recovery Happens Month."

Now in its sixteenth 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; and celebrating and recognizing the extraordinary achievements of those individuals and their families in recovery.

JW:CW

Jerry Wengerd, Director  
Department of Mental Health

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	N/A	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	N/A	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	N/A	For Fiscal Year:	2010/2011

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> N/A	<b>Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Requires 4/5 Vote</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**County Executive Office Signature**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Ashley, seconded by Supervisor Buster and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: September 14, 2010  
xc: Mental Health, EO

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

**Prev. Agn. Ref.: 9/1/09; 2.28** | **District: All** | **Agenda Number:**

**2.5**

ATTACHMENTS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Departmental Concurrence

Policy  Policy   
Consent  Consent

Dept's Recomm.:  
Per Exec. Ofc.:

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, and 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**, Riverside County Department of Mental Health Substance Abuse Program welcomes and supports 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 The County of Riverside; 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 2010, "Recovery Happens Month".