State of
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

Jack Dalrymple
Governor

PROCLAMATION
ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH
SEPTEMBER 2012

WHEREAS, treatment and recovery from substance use disorders provide a renewed and improved outlook on life for those who struggle with substance use disorders, their families and friends; and

WHEREAS, treatment and recovery from substance use disorders also enhance the quality of community life; and

WHEREAS, 49,881 North Dakotans needed treatment for a substance use disorder in 2011; and

WHEREAS, national studies show that people who needed treatment were concerned that receiving treatment might cause neighbors or community members to have negative opinions of them; and

WHEREAS, resources exist in our communities to increase awareness about how substance use disorders and recovery affect children, families and society, and such education is essential to overcoming misconceptions and achieving long-term recovery; and

WHEREAS, to help achieve this goal, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, the North Dakota Department of Human Services and the North Dakota addiction recovery community invite all state residents to participate in the 23rd anniversary of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim September 2012, **ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

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