

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, in partnership with the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities, is committed to leading the state of Ohio in expressing gratitude and appreciation to all community members working on the front lines in the fight against Ohio's opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio is committed to supporting local efforts to prevent and treat addiction, educate youth and adults about addiction and recovery, promote family building and workforce development as ways of combatting the effects of addiction on communities and encourage community engagement in efforts to address the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has taken action to implement one the nation's most comprehensive and aggressive strategies for fighting drug abuse and addiction, and continues to strengthen and support a statewide system of prevention, education, intervention, interdiction, treatment and recovery for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, through this work, the State of Ohio will continue to build the understanding that treatment works and people recover; and

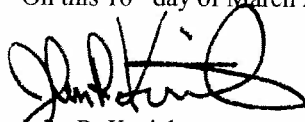
WHEREAS, professionals on the front lines of Ohio's opioid crisis - including first responders (police, fire and EMT personnel), hospital emergency department staff, children's services workers and crisis services staff - have helped to save thousands of lives amid the ongoing opioid epidemic.

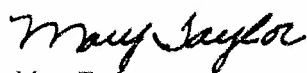
NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio,
do hereby recognize

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BRINGING HOPE. THANK YOU.**

and encourage all Ohioans to join us in supporting the individuals, family members and professionals throughout our state who are bringing help and bringing hope by working day in and day out to save lives, provide treatment, assist families and support recovery, and calls on communities statewide to join in honoring and thanking these heroes the during the week of April 9-13, 2018.

On this 16th day of March 2018;


John R. Kasich
Governor


Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

