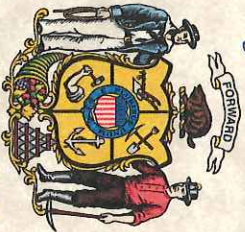


STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamations

WHEREAS, untreated mental and substance abuse disorders are a cause of disability worldwide; and

WHEREAS, half of all lifetime cases of mental and substance abuse disorders begin by age 14 and three-fourths by age 24; and

WHEREAS, the annual total estimated societal cost of substance abuse in the United States is \$510.8 billion; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, an estimated 29,000 people in Wisconsin were admitted to substance abuse treatment programs; and

WHEREAS, "Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration" (SAMHSA) Access to Recovery program focused on Milwaukee County has helped to lower Milwaukee's rate of substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, SAMHSA is committed to reducing the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on Wisconsin's communities; and

WHEREAS, these disorders and illnesses are preventable and treatable, and proper care allows people to recover;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2011, as

RECOVERY MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 8th day of July 2011.


SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR



By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State