

Proclamation

National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month September, 2003

WHEREAS, substance use and addiction result in huge societal and economic costs. It was recently estimated that the cost of untreated addiction in the United States is \$294 billion a year. Despite this staggering statistic, 76 percent of people in need of treatment for a problem with illicit drugs did not seek or receive treatment; and

WHEREAS, the toll substance abuse takes on family, friends, and community is immeasurable; and

WHEREAS, every day in every part of the United States, men, women, and youth are entering treatment and beginning the road to recovery and families are seeking hope and recovery in support programs and counselling; and

WHEREAS, National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month celebrates the tremendous strides taken by individuals who have undergone successful treatment, families in recovery, and those in the treatment field who have dedicated their lives to helping people recover; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Join the Voices for Recovery: Celebrating Health," invites all segments of society to join the recovery community in improving the quality of treatment programs and coordinated services in an effort to eradicate the disease of addiction; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment; and the Office of National Drug Control Policy; invite all residents of Tigard to participate in National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor James Griffith of the City of Tigard, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2003 as

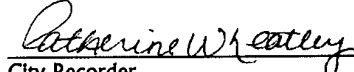
NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

Dated this 26th day of August, 2003.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tigard to be affixed.


James Griffith, Mayor
City of Tigard

Attest:


Catherine Wheatley
City Recorder

