



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, substance use disorders are serious but treatable issues that impact Idahoans; and

WHEREAS, more than 96,000 Idahoans in need of substance use disorder services could benefit from treatment; and

WHEREAS, every \$1 invested in treatment results in a return of \$4 to \$7 in reduced instances of drug-related crimes, criminal justice costs, and theft; and

WHEREAS, with positive support and encouragement, people struggling with an addiction can recover and lead healthy and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, untreated substance use disorders negatively affect individuals, families, and communities while also affecting the criminal justice and child welfare systems, family and social service agencies, and faith-based and community organizations; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "Join the Voices of Recovery: Visible, Valuable, and Local."; and

WHEREAS, Alcohol and Drug Recovery Month is an opportunity to encourage those dealing with substance use disorders to seek treatment, and to recognize the work of those providing affordable treatment programs in Idaho and across the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2015 to be

**ALCOHOL AND DRUG RECOVERY
MONTH**

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this the 1st day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred fortieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-sixth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE