



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 09, 2008

Council Session

Item C2

Proclamation "National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month"

Substance abuse disorders impact 22.6 million people aged 12 or older in the United States. These are serious health care issues that can be treated to improve the quality of life for the entire community. Mayor Hornady has proclaimed the month of September, 2008 as "National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month". See attached PROCLAMATION.

Staff Contact: Mayor Hornady

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Grand Island
State of Nebraska

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, treatment and long-term recovery from substance use disorders can offer a renewed outlook on life for those who are addicted and their family members; and
- WHEREAS, substance use disorders impact 22.6 million people aged 12 or older in the United States (or 9.2 percent of the population), which is more than 12 times the total population of Nebraska; and
- WHEREAS, people who receive treatment for substance use disorders can lead more productive and fulfilling lives, personally and professionally; and
- WHEREAS, studies have consistently found that individualized treatment is essential for people to be successful in their path of recovery; and
- WHEREAS, real stories of long-term recovery can inspire others to ask for help and improve their own lives, the lives of their families, and the entire community; and
- WHEREAS, it is critical that we educate our community members that substance abuse disorders are serious health care issues, but like other chronic diseases, they can be treated and thus improve the quality of life for the entire community; and
- WHEREAS, to help achieve this goal, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, Central Nebraska Council on Alcoholism and Addictions, Inc. and the Grand Island Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition invite all residents of Grand Island to participate in **National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month (September)**.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Margaret Hornady, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2008 as

***“NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG
ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH”***

in the City of Grand Island, and encourage all citizens to celebrate this month by attending "Focus on Recovery" series at the Central NE Council on Alcoholism and Addictions supporting this year's theme, **"Join the Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery."**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this ninth day of September in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eight.

Margaret Hornady
Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards
RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

