[National Recovery Month - September 2025]

Resolution declaring September 2025 as National Recovery Month in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Substance use disorder is a chronic, relapsing condition that affects countless individuals, families, and communities throughout San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, September is recognized nationally as Recovery Month, honoring more than 21 million Americans in recovery, celebrating their resilience and contributions, and raising awareness of the importance of treatment and recovery services; and

WHEREAS, Recovery is possible, and many San Franciscans demonstrate that with access to treatment, peer support, housing, employment, and community acceptance, recovery can flourish; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco continues to face a severe overdose crisis, particularly involving deadly overdoses from fentanyl; and

WHEREAS, "Recovery First" serves as the City's guiding principle on drug policy, establishing long-term remission from substance use disorders and a healthy, self-directed life free of illicit drug use as San Francisco's primary drug policy objective, affirming the need for fully funded evidence-based recovery and behavioral health services; and

WHEREAS, Initiatives including Treatment on Demand, Cash Not Drugs, Read to Recovery, and requirements for the availability of naloxone (Narcan) demonstrate San Francisco's commitment to life-saving, evidence-based supports; and

WHEREAS, National Recovery Month, established in 1989, is observed each September to celebrate recovery achievements, highlight evidence-based strategies, and honor the strength of recovery communities and their service providers; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 theme — "Recovery is REAL (Restoring Every Aspect of Life)" — underscores that holistic recovery is possible when health, home, community, and purpose are supported through treatment, resources, and care; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors recognizes that declaring September 2025 as Recovery Month provides an opportunity to honor the strength and resilience of individuals in recovery, support families and communities affected by addiction, and reaffirm San Francisco's leadership in advancing compassionate, science-driven recovery policies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby declares September 2025 as National Recovery Month in San Francisco; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reaffirms its commitment to supporting programs, partnerships, and policies that promote recovery, expand access to treatment, and elevate the voices of people with lived experience in shaping solutions.



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Resolution

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September 16, 2025 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED			
Ayes: 10 - Chan, Chen, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Saute Sherrill and Walton Excused: 1 - Dorsey			Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter,
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	Daniel Lurie Mayor	Date <i>i</i>	Approved
I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2,			
became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.			

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

09/26/2025

Date