## RESOLUTION DECLARING AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup> AS OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY IN THE BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS

**WHEREAS,** Overdose Awareness Day aims to raise awareness of overdose, reduce the stigma surrounding drug-related deaths and remember those who have died or suffered permanent injury due to drug overdose; and

**WHEREAS,** an overdose occurs when a drug (or combination of drugs), including prescription medications prescribed by a doctor overwhelms the body; and

**WHEREAS**, prescription and illegal drug overdoses are now the number one cause of accidental death in the Nation, surpassing car accidents; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2023, provisional data from the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention yielded an estimate of 105,303 drug overdose deaths in the United States, a decrease of 2 per cent from 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** according to the Office of the State Medical Examiner, in 2023, we lost 2,564 New Jerseyans to suspected overdose deaths; and

**WHEREAS,** by acknowledging residents who have been affected by overdose, we help the general public understand effects on New Jersey's communities; and

**WHEREAS,** practitioners, persons at high risk, family members and others can save lives by learning about signs of overdose and how to administer naloxone and then calling 9-1-1.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Tinton Falls declares August 31st as Overdose Awareness Day.

Risa Clay, Council President

## BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS COUNCIL

Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Ms. Buckley						
Dr. Dobrin						
Mr. Manginelli						
Mr. Nesci						
Mrs. Clay						

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Michelle Hutchinson, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Tinton Falls, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Tinton Falls Borough Council at their meeting held August 13, 2024.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the Borough of Tinton Falls this 13th day of August, 2024.

Michelle Hutchinson	
Borough Clerk	