RECOVERY MONTH 2025 PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, behavioral health is an essential part of one's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, recovery from addiction occurs every day through a variety of recovery support services and treatment programs; and

WHEREAS, prevention of substance use disorders works, treatment is effective, and people recover across Georgia and around the nation; and

WHEREAS, millions of people across the United States are living happy, joyous, and free in long-term recovery; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Georgia Recovers bus tour celebrates "Georgia Recovers in Communities" and recognizes we are never alone on this journey through recovery; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Recovers bus tour will deliver over 100 Overdose Reversal Kits to communities across Georgia to be accessible in local government buildings; and

WHEREAS, education throughout our communities about recovery and addiction is essential to combating the stigma and discrimination faced by many people in recovery; and

WHEREAS, to help more people experience and sustain long-term recovery, the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, the Georgia Council for Recovery, and the Georgia General Assembly Working Group on Addiction and Recovery, invite all residents of the State of Georgia to participate in National Recovery Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David G. Thompson, Walton County Commission Chairman, and on behalf of the Walton County Board of Commissioners, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of Walton County do hereby proclaim the month of September 2025,

National Recovery Month

In, Walton County, Monroe, Georgia, and call upon the people of Walton County to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies to support this year's **Recovery Month** theme, "Georgia Recovers in Communities."

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of **SEPTEMBER**, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-five, and the Independence of the United States of America the two-hundred and forty-nineth.

David G. Thompson, Chairman Walton County Board of Commissioners