

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
STATE OF OREGON



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** Addictions with co-occurring mental health disorders and the physical illnesses that accompany them are a major public health issue and affect Oregonians as a whole; and
- WHEREAS:** Recognizing that addiction is a chronic, relapsing brain disease with successful treatments, like diabetes or asthma; and
- WHEREAS:** Access to treatment for those who suffer from addiction is the first step in building stronger and healthier communities; and
- WHEREAS:** With treatment, thousands of Oregonians sustain recovery, maintain employment, raise healthy children, pay taxes and make other significant contributions to Oregon communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Acknowledging September 2006 as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month offers professionals in the field and people in recovery an opportunity to educate their communities and offer hope; and
- WHEREAS:** The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, and the Office of National Drug Control Policy have proclaimed September 2006 as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

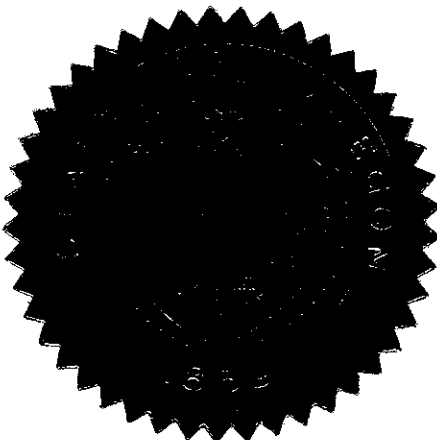
NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **September 2006** to be

NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, August 16, 2006.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Bill Bradbury
Bill Bradbury, Secretary of State