

Reps. Hammoud, Brinks, Canfield, Cochran, Ellison, Faris, Gay-Dagnogo, Geiss, Green, Greig, Howrylak, Lasinski, Liberati, Marino, Maturen, Moss, Singh, Sneller, Sowerby and Wittenberg offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 401.

A resolution to declare September 26, 2018, as National Recovery Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, National Recovery Day is a time of activities and educational events to support individuals and families dealing with mental and substance use disorders; and

Whereas, Behavioral health is an essential part of one's overall health and wellness. Prevention and treatment methods for mental and substance use disorders have proven to be effective, helping one achieve an emotionally and physically healthy lifestyle; and

Whereas, Organizations such as the SAFE Substance Abuse Coalition, in partnership with Michigan communities, aim to dispel the myths and stigmas about drug addiction through public education, sharing stories of recovery, creating positive social change, and providing recovery support services for those in need; and

Whereas, Many communities in our state are affected by mental and substance use disorders; and

Whereas, Relatives and friends of people with these disorders shall implement preventive measures, recognize signs of a problem, and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and

Whereas, To help more individuals achieve and sustain long term recovery, the Michigan House of Representatives, along with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration, and the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy invite all residents to recognize September as National Recovery Day and participate in National Recovery Day today and throughout this year and all years ahead; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare September 26, 2018, as National Recovery Day in the state of Michigan. We call upon the people in our communities to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and educational events to support the individuals and families dealing with issues related to mental and substance use disorders and supporting the National Recovery Day agenda.