

Office of the Mayor

# Proclamation



Whereas:

treatment and long-term recovery from substance use disorders can offer a renewed outlook on life for those who are addicted and their family members; and

**WHEREAS**, substance use disorders impact 22.6 million people aged 12 or older in the United States (or 9.2 percent of the population); and

**WHEREAS**, people who receive treatment for substance use disorders can lead more productive and fulfilling lives, personally and professionally; and

**WHEREAS**, studies have consistently found that individualized treatment is essential for people to be successful in their path of recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, real stories of long-term recovery can inspire others to ask for help and improve their own lives, the lives of their families, and the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, invite all residents of the City of Upper Arlington to participate in National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month; and

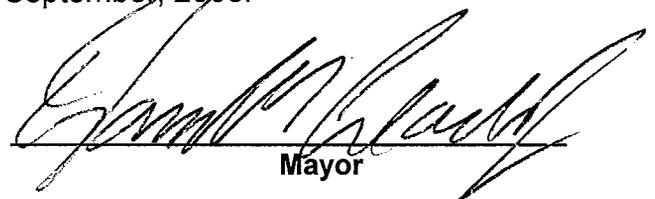
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Donald B. Leach, Jr., Mayor of the City of Upper Arlington do hereby proclaim the month of September 2008 as

**National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month**

in Upper Arlington and encourage all citizens to support this year's theme, "*Join the Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery.*"



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Upper Arlington, Ohio, to be affixed this 22nd day of September, 2008.

  
Mayor