

**HOCKING COUNTY JUVENILE COURT
IS RECLAIMING FUTURES
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH TASC OF SOUTHEAST OHIO AND
HOCKING COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**



RECLAIMING FUTURES
Communities helping teens
overcome drugs, alcohol and crime

PROCLAMATION

**DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2008 AS NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG
ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH**

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), which is more than the number of people living with coronary heart disease, cancer, or Alzheimer's disease combined; and

WHEREAS, children and family members in our community are experiencing the negative consequences of substance abuse disorders; 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, it is critical that we educate our community members that substance use disorders are treatable, yet serious health care problems, and by treating them like other chronic diseases, we can improve the quality of life for the entire community; and

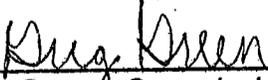
WHEREAS, working together to help achieve this goal, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Hocking County Juvenile Court's Rural Juvenile Drug Court, TASC of Southeast Ohio, Ohio Valley Behavioral Health, and the Hocking County Behavioral Health Services, a division of Health Recovery Services, Inc. invite all residents of Hocking County to participate in National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month; and

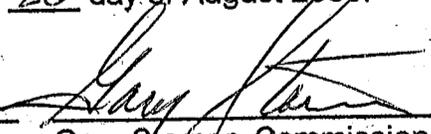
NOW, THEREFORE, We, Greg Green, Gary Starner and John Walker, Commissioners of Hocking County, Ohio, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2008 as

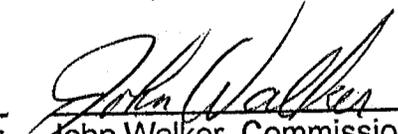
National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month

and encourage all citizens of Hocking County to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies supporting this year's theme, "***Join the Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery.***"

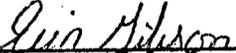
PROCLAIMED, this 26th day of August 2008.


Greg Green, Commissioner


Gary Starner, Commissioner


John Walker, Commissioner

Attest:


Erin Madison