City of Porterville

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Alcohol and drug addiction can ruin lives, devastate families, and take a toll on a community's workforce and health care resources; and

WHEREAS: National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month (Recovery Month) serves to raise awareness about the destructive cycle of addiction, to provide assistance to those who suffer from substance abuse, and to encourages Americans to spread the word that addiction is a treatable medical illness; and

WHEREAS: This year's theme, "Join the Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery," emphasizes the value that treatment of substance use disorders has on individuals, their families, and the community; and

WHEREAS: Recovery Month provides an opportunity to recognize the impact that real people and real stories have on recovery, and celebrates those who have worked to advance the treatment and recovery landscape; and

WHEREAS: The City of Porterville would like to salute members of the community who are working hard to address their addiction, and the community groups, professionals, volunteers, friends and family members who assist them in overcoming their addiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CAMERON HAMILTON, Mayor of the City of Porterville, on behalf of the Porterville City Council, do hereby proclaim September, 2008, as,

National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month

in the City of Porterville and urge our fellow citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies.

PROCLAIMED this 19th day of August, 2008.

Cameron Hamilton,

Pete V. McCracken,
Vice-Mayor

Pedro R. Martinez,
Council Member

Felipe A. Martinez,
Council Member

Brian Ward,
Council Member