Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, recovery is for everyone: every person, every family, every community; and,

Whereas, treatment for mental health and substance use disorders allows individuals to enter in and maintain recovery; and,

Whereas, the lives of thousands of South Dakotans continue to be transformed through recovery; and,

Whereas, National Addiction Professionals Day is celebrated September 20, 2022, to recognize and thank those who work every day to assist and provide hope to those in recovery; and,

Whereas, treatment and recovery services are effective, and people can and do recover from mental illness and substance use disorders; and,

Whereas, in Fiscal Year 2022, through funding from the Department of Social Services, more than 17,000 South Dakotans received treatment for a mental health disorder, and over 11,000 South Dakotans received treatment for a substance use disorder:

Now, Therefore, I, Kristi Noem, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 2022, as

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RECOVERY MONTH

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

Kristi Noem, Governor

Attest:

Steven J. Barnett, Secretary of State