

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. RES. 298

Supporting the designation of September 2017 as “National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month”.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 19, 2017

Mr. KING (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO) submitted the following resolution;  
which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Supporting the designation of September 2017 as “National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month”.

Whereas September has been declared “National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month”;

Whereas the theme for National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month in 2017 is “Join the Voices for Recovery: Strengthen Families and Communities”;

Whereas drug overdose is the leading cause of accidental death in the United States, with more than 63,000 lethal drug overdoses in 2016 or approximately 170 lethal drug overdoses per day in 2016;

Whereas drug overdose is now the leading cause of death in individuals in the United States under age 50; and

Whereas the motto of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month is “Prevention Works—Treatment is Effective—People Recover”: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate joins the voices for recovery to strengthen families and communities by—

3           (1) recognizing the importance of education and prevention of substance use disorder and the critical importance and effectiveness of treatment for substance use disorder;

7           (2) recognizing the possibility of recovery from substance use disorder in this and every month; and

9           (3) honoring and celebrating—

10           (A) the achievements of the more than 25,000,000 people of the United States who are in recovery from substance use disorder; and

13           (B) the tens of millions of recovery allies who support those people.

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