BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming August 31)	RESOLUTION
as "Overdose Awareness Day" in)	#R-23- 0(5
Tillamook County, Oregon)	

This matter came before the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners on August 16, 2023 at the request of Marlene Putman, Administrator, Tillamook County Health and Human Services. The Board, being fully apprised, finds as follows.

- 1. Tillamook County does affirm and acknowledge the harm and hardship caused by overdoses doubling every year since 2018, with 2023 overdose data on track to double from 2022.
- 2. We affirm that the people affected by overdose are our sons and daughters, our mothers and fathers, our brothers and sisters, our neighbors, and deserving of our love, compassion, and support.
- 3. Oregon Recovers reports that Oregon continues to rank 2nd in highest untreated addiction rate in the country and ranks 50th (last place) in the nation for providing access to treatment.
- 4. The Lund Report in March 2023 reported the rate of Oregon teenagers dying due to drug-related causes is growing faster than in any other state. Adolescent drug overdose deaths have more than doubled nationwide since 2019 and more than tripled in Oregon in the same time period.
- 5. According to Oregon Health Authority's reporting system, State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS), in 2021, out of the 1,075 unintentional opioid overdose deaths that occurred, 72.2% had at least one potential opportunity for intervention or 761 deaths.
- 6. Tillamook County recognizes the effects of overdoses are seen in increased calls to 911, emergency room visits, and deaths and thus collaborated regionally on the Fentanyl Aware Northwest campaign that promotes outreach and education information on risk and safety to connect the public to local resources.
- 7. We recognize the purpose of "Overdose Awareness Day" as a global event held annually on August 31. This day is to remember those gone too soon from overdose deaths and ending the stigma of drug-related deaths.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:

8. Tillamook County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim August 31 as "Overdose Awareness Day" in Tillamook County, Oregon.

Dated this 16th day of August, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON	Aye Nay Abstain/Absent
Erin D. Skaar, Chair	
Absent Mary Faith Bell, Vice Chair	
David Yamamoto, Commissioner	6
ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil, County Clerk	APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William K. Sargent, County Counsel

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