



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION

**NATIONAL PREVENTION WEEK
May 9 - 15, 2021**

WHEREAS, NATIONAL PREVENTION WEEK is dedicated to addressing and increasing public awareness of substance abuse and mental health issues; and

WHEREAS, this week is a public education platform that promotes prevention year-round by providing ideas, capacity building, tools, and resources to help individuals and communities make substance use prevention happen every day; and

WHEREAS, this is a time for communities to come together to celebrate their successes and advocate for prevention; and

WHEREAS, organizations like the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) have worked to raise community awareness of behavioral health issues and implementing prevention strategies through federal and state partnerships; and

WHEREAS, my administration is making great strides in reducing substance use stigma with campaigns like Life Unites Us, and providing Pennsylvanians with the resources necessary to prevent substance abuse with access to crucial mental health resources and other recovery supports.

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim May 9-15, 2021, as NATIONAL PREVENTION WEEK in Pennsylvania and encourage citizens across the commonwealth to recognize the importance of substance abuse prevention in Pennsylvania as a priority for public health.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-seventh day of April two thousand twenty-one, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-fifth.

Tom Wolf
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Governor