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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS in the year 2023, Massachusetts experienced a tragic loss with 2,125 fatal overdoses, and within Middlesex County, including our community, there were 301 such deaths, underscoring the urgent need for collective action and support, and

WHEREAS it is imperative to emphasize the availability of resources and the necessity of connecting individuals to recovery services, ensuring that those affected by substance abuse disorder have access to effective treatment and support networks that can guide them towards a healthier future, and

WHEREAS proactive measures in prevention and education are crucial to addressing the root causes of substance use, promoting healthy lifestyles, and equipping individuals with the knowledge and skills to make informed choices and avoid the pitfalls of addiction, and

WHEREAS raising awareness and actively working to reduce the stigma associated with substance use and addiction is essential in fostering an environment of compassion and understanding, enabling individuals to seek help without fear of judgement or discrimination.

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of Health and the Select Board are committed to addressing the challenges of substance use through community engagement, support for recovery services, education, and efforts to diminish stigma, with the goal of creating a healthier, more supportive environment for all, and proclaim August 31, 2024 Overdose Awareness Day in the Town of Sudbury.

Signed this 27th day of August in the year two thousand and twenty-four.

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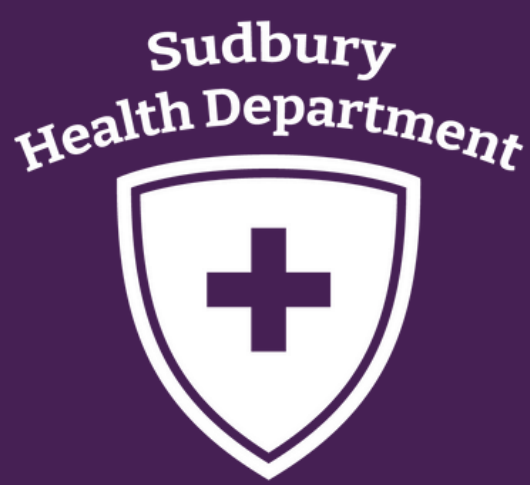
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Voices of Hope: Overdose Awareness Event

Join us to remember those affected by overdose, raise awareness, and renew hope together as a community.

State Representative Carmine Gentile will be joining us to share an inspiring message of hope.

Thursday, September 5th
5:00pm - 7:00pm

SUDBURY "THE GRANGE" HALL
326 CONCORD RD

Join us to raise awareness and break the silence on overdose!

CONNECT WITH



A peer-led support network for families dealing with addiction and recovery



An organization with the goal of forming a collective voice to educate on the value of recovery



A non-profit committed to supporting those facing disabilities and other life challenges