

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
RESOLUTION 23-270
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE DAY - OCTOBER 6, 2023**

WHEREAS, New Jersey is in the midst of a life-threatening opioid abuse epidemic, causing unnecessary death and addiction in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, Governor Murphy signed Senate Joint Resolution 35 recognizing October 6 as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day and it is now P.L.2019, JR-16, recognized by the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, "Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day" is designed to raise awareness about the dangers of, and the link between, opioid abuse and heroin addiction and to educate health care providers, community leaders, lawmakers, and members of the public about the opioid abuse epidemic and its effects throughout the State of New Jersey and across the country; and

WHEREAS, in order to improve public awareness of the dangers of opioid addiction and the link between opioid addiction and heroin use, it is both reasonable and appropriate to invite New Jersey citizens to observe "Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day" in this State, and to participate in appropriate activities in relation thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Township of Long Hill in the county of Morris in order to raise awareness about the dangers of, and the link between, opioid abuse and further addiction, recognizes October 6, as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Murphy, the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Senate President Scutari, Assembly Speaker Coughlin, Senator Bramnick, Assemblywoman Munoz, Assemblywoman Matsikoudis, the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey, and New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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		VERLEZZA	x			

I, Megan Phillips, Township Clerk of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee October 11, 2023.

Megan Phillips/RMC
Township Clerk