

**RICHLAND COUNTY RECOVERY MONTH  
LOCAL HOPE FOR LOCAL RECOVERY**

**WHEREAS**, with the help of Community Action for Capable Youth, Mansfield UMADAOP, The National Alliance on Mental Illness and 33 Forever a concerted effort has been made to provide education and prevention services to adults in the community and youth in the schools strengthening resilience and awareness to signs and symptoms of illness and how to seek help; and

**WHEREAS**, we continue to provide support to over 6,500 residents annually through the HELpline and Warmline. The Homeless Response Team has made contact with over 400 people, providing 180 referrals for assistance and the Opiate Response Team have reached out to over 700 residents and provided access to help; and

**WHEREAS**, the Behavioral Health Urgent Care at Catalyst Life Services continues to serve an average of 70 people a month and has expanded hours and services to better serve the community. This provides immediate access where and when it is needed; and

**WHEREAS**, with the implementation of the Mobile Response Stabilization Services by Family Life Counseling and Psychiatric Services, residents with youth can now access crisis services in their home or other convenient community settings; and

**WHEREAS**, treatment services were provided to over 7,500 Richland County Residents during fiscal year 2023. These services have assisted many individuals to return to work, repair relationships, take charge of their lives and demonstrate that Recovery Works and Recovery is possible.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Richland County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the month of September 2023 as

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and calls upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools in Richland County to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of behavioral health, the steps our citizens can take to live healthy lives, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illnesses and substance use disorders.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hand and caused our seal to be affixed this 5th day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-three.

Cliff Mears

Darrell E. Banks

Anthony M. Vero

Board of Commissioners  
Richland County, Ohio