

RESOLUTION 57(18)

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WHEREAS, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week was launched in 2010 by scientists at the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) to stimulate educational events in communities so teens can learn what science has taught us about drug use and addiction; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism became a partner starting in 2016, and alcohol has been added as a topic area for the week. NIDA and NIAAA are part of the National Institutes of Health; and

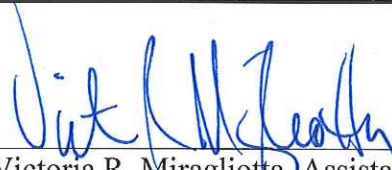
WHEREAS, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week links students with scientists and other experts to counteract the myths about drugs and alcohol that teens get from the internet, social media, TV, movies, music, or from friends; and

WHEREAS, in community and school events all over America, teens, scientists and other experts come together to ask experts questions about how drugs affect the brain, body, and behaviors; and

WHEREAS, many teens are not aware of the risks to their health, to their success in school and the dangers while driving under the influence. When teens are given the scientific facts about drugs, they can be better prepared to make good decisions for themselves and they can share this information with others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health does hereby proclaim January 22nd to January 28th, 2018 to be **NATIONAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL FACTS WEEK** promoting the theme “**Shatter the Myths**” and urge all citizens to participate in the activities planned here forth.

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Ayes	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
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Nays								
Absent				✓	✓	✓		


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