

# International Overdose Awareness Day

August 31, 2024

**Whereas** International Overdose Awareness Day is recognized globally on August 31 to raise awareness about the risks of overdosing, honour the individuals whose lives have been lost from overdosing and acknowledge the grief felt by families, friends, and communities; and

**Whereas** Overdose Awareness Day aims to publicly challenge the stigma associated with substance use disorders and overdosing; and

**Whereas** every person deserves our best efforts to prevent injury and death from overdose, and it is imperative to support overdose prevention policies and projects and to help make sure everyone understands overdose is a social issue, which impacts the victim, families, friends, and communities.

Therefore, be it resolved that Norfolk County, hereby proclaim Saturday, August 31, 2024, as **Overdose Awareness Day** and commend its thoughtful recognition to all citizens of our county.