

City of Palm Coast, Florida Agenda Item

Agenda Date: September 1, 2026

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Department CITY ADMINISTRATION Division	Amount Org/Account #
Subject: PROCLAMATION - AUGUST 31, 2026, AS INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY	
Presenter: Mayor and City Council	
Attachments: 1. Proclamation	
Background: The City of Palm Coast would like to proclaim August 31, 2026, as International Overdose Awareness Day.	
Recommended Action: PROCLAIM AUGUST 31, 2026, AS INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY	



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, International Overdose Awareness Day is observed annually on August 31 to remember those who have lost their lives to overdose, acknowledge the grief of families and loved ones left behind, and raise awareness that overdose deaths are preventable; and

WHEREAS, substance use disorders affect individuals and families from all walks of life and have a profound impact on the health, safety, and well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Coast recognizes the importance of education, prevention, treatment, recovery support, and reducing the stigma associated with substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS, local organizations, healthcare providers, first responders, recovery advocates, volunteers, and community partners work tirelessly to provide hope, support, and life-saving resources to individuals and families affected by addiction; and

WHEREAS, the Flagler County Drug Court, the Flagler County Drug Court Foundation, and other community organizations continue to promote awareness, recovery, and access to overdose prevention strategies, including education on the use of naloxone (Narcan) and other evidence-based interventions; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the residents of Palm Coast unite in compassion and commitment to honor those we have lost, support those in recovery, and encourage anyone struggling with addiction to seek help.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Palm Coast, Florida, that August 31, 2026, be officially designated as:

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

and encourage all citizens to participate in activities that promote awareness, prevention, treatment, recovery, and remembrance, while supporting efforts to reduce the stigma surrounding addiction and save lives.

SIGNED this 1st day of September 2026.

Attest:

CITY OF PALM COAST, FLORIDA

Kaley Cook, City Clerk

Michael Norris, Mayor