

Overdose Day PROCLAMATION

WhereAs: As a community, we honor those lost to the growing epidemic of overdose-related deaths; support those who struggle with drug use or abuse; and reinforce the belief that no one should feel shame or disgrace due to an overdose-related death of a loved one; and

WhereAs: It is imperative to recognize that every human being is worthy of our best efforts to prevent injury and death from overdose. Overdose Awareness Day reminds us to support overdose prevention projects and to help the wider community understand that drug overdose is a social issue, which impacts not only the victims, but families, friends, and the community, and

WhereAs: Overdose Awareness Day provides an opportunity to recognize that Painkillers and other prescriptions medications play an important role in our well-being, and that misusing or abusing these drugs can have tragic and long-term consequences; and

WhereAs: Grand Futures Prevention Coalition has a proud tradition of working within our community to prevent and combat substance abuse and misuse. International Overdose Awareness Day is celebrated Friday, August 31st, 2018, by thousands of people who will stand beside friends and families of fatal overdose victims to remember and honor those who have been lost to overdose; to support those who are left behind; and to recommit to overdose prevention efforts.

Now, Therefore, we the Mayor and City Council of the great City of Craig do hereby recognize August 31st as

International Overdose Awareness & Remembrance Day
in the City of Craig, Colorado

John Ponikvar, Mayor of Craig, CO