

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE LAST WEEK OF OCTOBER EACH YEAR AS OPIOID ADDICTION AWARENESS WEEK IN WEBER COUNTY

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2017, the President of the United States declared the opioid addiction crisis occurring throughout the country as a “public health emergency;” and

WHEREAS, opioid addiction is a growing problem nationally, in Utah, and locally in Weber County; and

WHEREAS, it is reported that ninety-one Americans die every day from opioid overdoses; and

WHEREAS, an average of six Utah residents die each week related to opioid overdoses; and

WHEREAS, Utah continually ranks as one of the highest in the country for drug related deaths, including opioid overdoses; and

WHEREAS, the opioid addiction crisis has increased demands on local resources to address the problem, including: mental health and social services, public health, housing, law enforcement, and correctional facilities; and

WHEREAS, in combatting the opioid addiction crisis in the future an increase in public awareness and education about the dangers associated with opioid misuse is needed; and

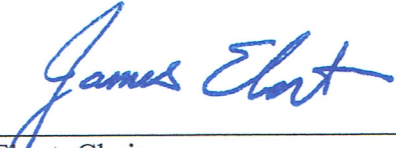
WHEREAS, public awareness and education must not only come from a national and state level, it must also come from a local effort;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Weber County, Utah, that the last week of October each year shall be recognized as Opioid Addiction Awareness Week in Weber County.

RESOLVED, ADOPTED AND ORDERED this 12th day of December, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WEBER COUNTY

By _____


James Ebert, Chair