



**KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**PROCLAMATION**

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**NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, behavioral health is a critical component of one's overall wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, personal recovery is a way of living a satisfying, hopeful and contributing life even with the limitations caused by illness; and

**WHEREAS**, suicide is an epidemic that can be prevented; and

**WHEREAS**, every day someone's life is directly affected by untreated mental health and substance use disorders, whether by death, by overdose, or dysfunction in quality of life;

**THEREFORE**, I, Bridget Mattson, on behalf of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District, do hereby encourage the staff and students of the school district to join in observing National Recovery Month in September by attending programs, activities, and ceremonies including the Stomp the Stigma Recovery March and Resource Rally on Saturday, September 26, 2020.

Signed this 9th day of September, 2020.

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Bridget Mattson  
School Board President