



*Township of Millstone
Office of the Mayor*

Proclamation

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, the Township of Millstone does affirm and acknowledge the harm and hardship caused by overdose; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Millstone recognizes the purpose of International Overdose Awareness Day as remembering loved ones lost to overdose and ending the stigma of drug related deaths; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Millstone has declared the Township of Millstone a Stigma-Free Community; and

WHEREAS, local resources are available so no one needs to suffer alone or feel hopeless; and

WHEREAS, the Millstone Township Alliance to Prevent Substance Misuse exists to meet the needs for a comprehensive, coordinated substance abuse program; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Millstone resolves to play our part in reducing the toll of overdoses in our community, which claimed the lives of 13 Monmouth County residents from January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025 alone together with countless more affected forever; and

WHEREAS, we affirm that the people affected by overdose are our sons and daughters, our mothers and fathers, our brothers and sisters, and deserving of our love, compassion and support.

*NOW THEREFORE I, Al Ferro, Mayor of the Township of Millstone, along with the Township Committee, do hereby PROCLAIM August 31, 2025, as **INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY** in the Township of Millstone, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.*

Dated this 20th day of August 2025.

Mayor Al Ferro

Attest: Kathleen Hart, RMC