

WHEREAS, this great nation has been plagued by the numerous problems associated with drug and alcohol abuse; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the purpose of International Overdose Awareness Day as remembering loved ones lost to overdose and working with the community to reduce the risk of drug-related deaths; and

WHEREAS, we resolve to play our part in reducing the toll of overdose in our community, which claimed the lives of more than 7,132 people last year in our state, according to the Centers for Disease Control; and

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

WHEREAS, Overdose Awareness Day is a global event that spreads the message that the tragedy of overdose death is preventable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Arlene R. Schwartz, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2025 as

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be affixed this 20th day of August 2025.

ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ, MAYOR