

**COUNTY OF TIOGA
EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: Opioids are one of the most addictive substances in the world and have become more dangerous due to the increase of the synthetic opioid, Fentanyl, being mixed into many drugs including heroin, methamphetamines, and counterfeit pills; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County continues to lose residents every year to opioid overdoses; and

WHEREAS: In rural communities it may take an extended amount of time for first responders to arrive to the scene of an overdose; and

WHEREAS: When administered in time, the lifesaving medication, Naloxone, also known as Narcan, can be used to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose and help with saving someone's life; and

WHEREAS: Narcan has become easier to access in Tioga County through Opioid Overdose Prevention Programs, Public Access Narcan Boxes, and pharmacies; and

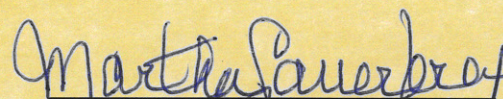
WHEREAS: Anyone can become trained on how to identify and reverse an opioid overdose; therefore

THE TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE, County of Tioga, does hereby proclaim September 14, 2023 as:

SAVE A LIFE. FREE NARCAN DAY

and urges Tioga County residents to attend an Opioid Overdose Prevention Training and keep Narcan in your possession, especially if you live with someone who takes prescription pain medications, has a substance use disorder, or is currently in recovery.

Dated: September 12, 2023


MARTHA SAUERBREY, CHAIR
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

