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RESOLUTION NO. 26 2014

OPIOID AND PRESCRIPTION OVERDOSE CRISIS

WHEREAS, Four hundred and forty-four (444) Pennsylvanians have died in the first half of 2014 as a result of drug overdose deaths and more than Two thousand four hundred (2,400) since 2009; and

WHEREAS, there is pending legislation in the Pennsylvania legislature (Prescription Drug Monetary Bill – Senate Bill 1180) which will greatly aid in combatting drug overdose deaths; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners and the Dauphin County District Attorney all strongly support passage of the above referenced legislation.

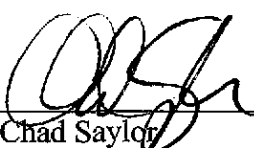
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners hereby supports and encourages the following:

1. Passage by the Pennsylvania House of Representatives of Senate Bill 1180 which was previously approved by the Pennsylvania Senate by a vote of 47 – 2.
2. The passage of future legislation granting immunity to those who report drug overdoses.
3. The passage of future legislation allowing police officers, firefighters and EMTs to receive training qualifying them to administer the drug Naloxone to those suffering from opioid overdose.


ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014.

ATTEST:

**DAUPHIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



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