## Lancaster & Lebanon Counties PREVENTION WEEK PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, "National Prevention Week" is dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of substance use prevention and positive mental health; and

**WHEREAS**, "National Prevention Week" is a public education platform that promotes prevention year-round by providing ideas, capacity building, tools and resources to help individuals and communities make substance use prevention happen every day; and

**WHEREAS**, "National Prevention Week" is a time for communities to come together to celebrate their successes and advocate for prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, "National Prevention Week" is sponsored annually by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); and

**WHEREAS**, According to SAMHSA, the primary goals of "National Prevention Week" are as follows:

- (1) Involving communities in raising awareness of behavioral health issues and implementing prevention strategies.
- (2) Fostering partnerships and collaboration with Federal agencies and national organizations dedicated to behavioral and public health.
- (3) Promoting and disseminating quality behavioral health resources and publications; and

**WHEREAS**, In order to achieve these goals, Lancaster County will partner with Compass Mark and other providers to educate the community on prevention by raising public awareness about the importance of substance use prevention and positive mental health.; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of May 9 through 15, 2021 as "National Prevention Week"..