

The City of Boston



PROCLAMATION

- Whereas:** *Substance use and addiction are increasing nationwide and opioid abuse is a recognized epidemic; AND*
- Whereas:** *Massachusetts rate of opioid related overdose deaths is more than twice the national average; AND*
- Whereas:** *Construction workers represent 26.8% of all opioid-related overdose deaths in Massachusetts, higher than any other industry; AND*
- Whereas:** *The Building Trades Employers' Association and their members are leading the way on Prevention, Awareness and Solutions in association with the National Safety Council, Modern Assistance Programs, and other substance use and mental health treatment educators to develop a library of materials and trainings for building trades workers, management staff, and company executives; AND*
- Whereas:** *The following employer groups plan to join the Building Trades Employers' Association in promoting awareness and training regarding the dangers of substance use, addiction, and opioid drug use during this week in April: Associated General Contractors of Massachusetts, Boston Roofing Contractors Association, Construction Industries of Massachusetts, Glass Employers Association of New England, Greater Boston Plumbing & Heating Contractors Association, Insulation Contractors Association of New England, National Electrical Contractors Association of Greater Boston, New England Mechanical Contractors Association, Northeast Erectors Association of the BTEA, Northeast Millwrights Association, Painting and Finishing Employers Association of New England, Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors Association of Boston; AND*
- Whereas:** *The following labor groups plan to join the Building Trades Employers' Association in promoting awareness and training regarding the dangers of substance use, addiction, and opioid drug use during this week in April: Massachusetts Building Trades Council, Metro Boston Building Trades Council, New England Regional Council of Carpenters, IBEW Local 103, Insulators Local 6, Ironworkers Local 7, Massachusetts & Northern New England Regional Laborers District Council, IUPAT District Council 35, Operating Engineers Local 4, Pipefitters Local 537, Plasterers & Cement Masons Local 534, Plumbers Local 12, Roofers Local 33, Sheet Metal Workers Local 17, Eastern Millwrights Regional Council; NOW*
- Therefore:** *I, Martin J. Walsh, Mayor of Boston, hereby proclaim April 29 through May 3, 2019 to be:*

Building Trades for Recovery Week

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Mayor of Boston

April 29, 2019