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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – Charleston County Sheriff Kristin Graziano deputized South Carolina native, singer-songwriter Edwin McCain in a ceremony on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at the Sheriff's Office Headquarters in North Charleston.

The move comes after McCain has dedicated his life to sharing his struggle with substance use disorder and why he decided to live a sober lifestyle.

"Nobody is too far gone. I have seen unbelievable comebacks, it's possible. As long as they're still breathing, a comeback is possible," McCain shared in an exclusive sit-down interview with Sheriff Graziano, detailing his start in music, quick rise to fame, and rock and roll lifestyle. "You can either be a living example or a dead example," he said.

"I'm not only a fan of his music, but everything he stands for," began Sheriff Graziano. "He can show a lot of people in our community who are struggling with substance use disorder or who are in a mental health crisis that help is available and there is hope on the other side."

The Charleston County Sheriff's Office shares the interview in hopes of inspiring others. A link to the full interview can be found <u>here</u>.

McCain spent a chapter of his young adult life in the Lowcountry as a student at the College of Charleston. His career quickly took off from there, moving from being a regular musical act in downtown Charleston to much larger stages around the world.

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