



- WHEREAS, according to All Rise, treatment courts are the most successful intervention in our nation's history for leading people with substance use and mental health disorders out of the justice system and into lives of recovery, stability, and health; and,
- WHEREAS, there are now more than 4,000 treatment courts nationwide, with Gaston County having a Recovery Court and Veterans Treatment Court; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts are the cornerstone of justice reform sweeping the nation; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts have transformed the way the justice system responds to people with substance use and mental health disorders by combining accountability with evidence-based treatment; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts annually refer more than 150,000 people to lifesaving treatment and recovery support services; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts save an average of \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and,
- WHEREAS, according to All Rise, treatment courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes, substantially reduce addiction and related crime, and do so at less expense than any other justice strategy; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts improve education, employment, housing, and financial stability, promote family reunification, reduce foster care placements; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health; and,
- WHEREAS, treatment courts demonstrate that when one person rises, we all rise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaim the month of May 2024 as

### *Treatment Court Month*

in Gaston County.

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To be Adopted the 28th Day of May 2024



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## Police Department

### Board Action

File #: 24-177

Commissioner Keigher - Police Department - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2024 as **Treatment Court Month** in Gaston County

#### STAFF CONTACT

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#### BUDGET IMPACT

N/A

#### BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

N/A

#### BACKGROUND

National Treatment Court Month is held annually during the month of May to recognize the work being done to lead people with substance use and mental health disorders out of the justice system and into lives of recovery, stability, and health.

#### POLICY IMPACT

N/A

#### ATTACHMENTS

Proclamation

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

NO.	DATE	M1	M2	CBrown	CCloninger	AFraley	BHovis	KJohnson	TKeigher	RWorley	Vote
2024-200	05/28/2024	BH	TK	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	U

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