



WHEREAS, according to All Rise, treatment courts are the most successful justice system intervention in our nation's history for reducing crime by addressing substance use and mental health disorders; and,

WHEREAS, treatment courts save an average of more than \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and,

WHEREAS, treatment courts provide a range of economic benefits to a community, such as reduced costs in court and prison expenditures, increased tax revenues, lowered foster care expenses, and decreased costs related to victimization; and,

WHEREAS, treatment courts combine 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, according to All Rise, treatment courts significantly improve substance use and mental health disorder treatment outcomes and prevent fatal overdoses; and,

WHEREAS, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health; and,

WHEREAS, there are now more than 4,000 treatment courts nationwide; 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 proclaims the month of May 2026 as

Treatment Court Month

in Gaston County.

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Police Department Board Action

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Commissioner Keigher - Police Department - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2026 as Treatment Court Month in Gaston County

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BACKGROUND

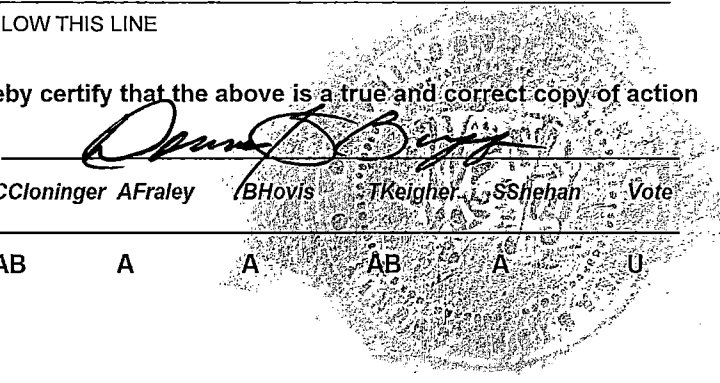
National Treatment Court Month is held annually during May to recognize the work being done to lead people with substance use and mental health disorders out of the justice system and into the lives of recovery, stability, and health.

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:



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