

RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY



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of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP)

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May 1, 2015
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PROCLAIMING MAY 2015 DRUG COURT MONTH

1 WHEREAS, Over the past twenty-five years, Drug Courts have served over 1.4 million individuals; and,

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3 WHEREAS, Drug Courts are now recognized as the most successful criminal justice intervention in our
4 nation's history; and,

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6 WHEREAS, Drug Courts save up to \$27 for every \$1 invested and produce up to \$13,000 for every
7 individual they serve; and,

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9 WHEREAS, 75% of Drug Court graduates will never see another pair of handcuffs; and,

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11 WHEREAS, Drug Courts significantly improve substance-abuse treatment outcomes, substantially
12 reduce drug abuse and crime, and do so at less expense than any other justice strategy; and,

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14 WHEREAS, Drug Courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and
15 public health professionals in the fight against drug abuse and criminality; and,

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17 WHEREAS, there are now 2,966 Drug Courts nationwide; and,

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19 WHEREAS, Drug Courts are the cornerstone of criminal justice reform sweeping the nation; and

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21 WHEREAS, Drug Courts demonstrate that when one person rises out of drugs and crime, we ALL RISE;
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24 WHEREAS, the time has come to put a Drug Court within reach of every eligible person in need; and,

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26 WHEREAS, Rock County started its Drug Court in April 2007, and has had 485 total participants and
27 237 successful graduates as of May 1, 2015; and,

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29 WHEREAS, Rock County started its Veterans Court in September 2009, and has had 48 total
30 participants and 22 successful graduates as of May 1, 2015.

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32 WHEREAS, Rock County started its OWI Court in October 2012, and has had 40 total participants and
33 10 successful graduates as of May 1, 2015.

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35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
36 this 29 day of May, 2015, does hereby declare that a "Drug Court Month" be established
37 during the month of May 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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