

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council  
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee  
SUBMITTED BY



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DRAFTED BY

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PROCLAIMING MAY 2010 DRUG COURT MONTH

1 WHEREAS, Drug Courts are the most effective tool for reducing substance abuse and crime in our  
2 criminal justice system; and,  
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4 WHEREAS, for the past 21 years Drug Courts have been restoring lives, reuniting families and making  
5 communities across this nation safer; and,  
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7 WHEREAS, Drug Courts provide focus and leadership for community-wide partnerships, bringing  
8 together public safety and public health professionals in the fight against drug abuse and criminality; and,  
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10 WHEREAS, results of more than 100 program evaluations and at least four meta-analytic studies have  
11 yielded definitive evidence that Drug Courts are demonstratively effective and significantly improve  
12 substance-abuse treatment outcomes, substantially reduce drug abuse and crime, and do so at less expense  
13 than any other justice strategy; and,  
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15 WHEREAS, over 27,000 judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, substance abuse and rehabilitation  
16 professionals, law enforcement and community supervision personnel, researchers and educators, national  
17 and community leaders, and others dedicated to Drug Courts and similar types of treatment programs are  
18 healing families and communities across the country; and,  
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20 WHEREAS, the Drug Court movement has grown from 12 original Drug Courts in 1994 to 2,400  
21 operational Drug Courts; and,  
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23 WHEREAS, the time has come to put a Drug Court within reach of every person in need; and,  
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25 WHEREAS, Rock County started its Drug Court in April 2007 and has had 87 successful graduations as  
26 of April 15, 2010; and,  
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28 WHEREAS, Thursday, May 20, 2010 marks *National Drug Court Commencement Day*, which  
29 celebrates the promise of recovery and restored hope to Drug Court graduates and their families.  
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31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
32 this 2nd day of April, 2010 does hereby declare that a "Drug Court Month" be established  
33 during the month of May, 2010, recognizing the practitioners and participants who make Drug Courts  
34 work and the significant contributions that Drug Courts have made, and continue to make, in reducing  
35 drug usage and crime.

Respectfully submitted,

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