

Drug Court Month

WHEREAS, drug overdose is the leading cause of accidental death in the United States and opioid addiction is driving this epidemic; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse is behind many of the criminal cases filed in Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, the mission of a Drug Court is to reverse the substance abuse trend through intense treatment, with a team approach and hands-on judicial involvement; and

WHEREAS, established in 1989, Drug Courts are now operated nation-wide, facilitating community-wide partnerships, and bringing together public safety and public health professionals; and

WHEREAS, since 2009, Jefferson County's Recovery Court has transformed lives from drug addiction and crime to success in education, employment, housing, financial stability and family reunification - Drug Courts work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners, of the State of Colorado, that the month of May 2018 be declared as Drug Court Month in this county.

Casey Tighe, Chair

Libby Szabo, Chair Pro Tem

Tina Francone, Commissioner

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