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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Treatment courts have been restoring lives and  
3 families for more than three decades; and

4 WHEREAS, There are now nearly 4,000 treatment courts  
5 nationwide; and

6 WHEREAS, Treatment courts are the cornerstone of justice  
7 reform sweeping the nation; and

8 WHEREAS, Treatment courts have served 1.5 million  
9 individuals; and

10 WHEREAS, Treatment courts are now recognized as the most  
11 successful justice system intervention in our nation's  
12 history; and

13 WHEREAS, Treatment courts save an average of \$6,000 for  
14 every individual they serve; and

15 WHEREAS, Treatment courts significantly improve substance  
16 use disorder treatment outcomes and substantially reduce  
17 addiction and related crime at less expense than any other  
18 criminal justice strategy; and

1           WHEREAS, Treatment courts improve education, employment,  
2           housing, and financial stability, promote family  
3           reunification, reduce foster care placements, and increase the  
4           rate of addicted mothers delivering babies who are fully drug  
5           free; and

6           WHEREAS, Treatment courts facilitate community-wide  
7           partnerships by bringing together public safety and public  
8           health professionals; and

9           WHEREAS, Treatment courts demonstrate that when one person  
10          rises out of substance use and crime then we all rise;  
11          therefore, be it

12          RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
13          HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14          we declare May 2021 as Drug Court Month in the State of  
15          Illinois.