



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, this year marks the 33rd anniversary of recovery courts; and

WHEREAS, there are now more than 4,000 treatment courts nationwide; and

WHEREAS, there are currently 82 recovery courts across Tennessee including Adult Drug Courts, Veterans Treatment Courts, Juvenile and Family Drug Courts, Adult Mental Health Courts, DUI Courts, and Human Trafficking Courts; and

WHEREAS, these courts save taxpayers and communities an average of \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and

WHEREAS, recovery courts improve education, employment, housing, and financial stability, promote family reunification, reduce foster care placements, and provide hope of a new life in recovery; and

WHEREAS, recovery courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and behavioral health professionals; and

WHEREAS, recovery courts demonstrate that when one person rises out of substance use and crime, we all rise;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

Recovery Court Month

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this eleventh day of May, 2022.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Wright

Secretary of State

