

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 114

Senators Shink, McCann, Chang, Bayer, Wojno, Geiss, Anthony, McMorrow, Santana, Polehanki, Brinks, Cherry and Klinefelt offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize May 2024 as Treatment Court Month.

2 Whereas, Treatment courts are the cornerstone of justice
3 reform sweeping the nation and are recognized as the most
4 successful justice system intervention in our nation's history; and

5 Whereas, Nearly 4,000 treatment courts nationwide, including
6 Michigan's 210 treatment courts, have restored the lives and
7 families of more than 1.5 million individuals; and

8 Whereas, Outcomes have shown significant improvements to
9 substance use disorder treatment, substantially reduced addiction
10 and related crime, and do so at less expense than any other

1 criminal justice strategy with a savings of an average of \$6,000
2 for every individual they serve; and

3 Whereas, Treatment courts facilitate community-wide
4 partnerships, bringing together judges, prosecutors, defense
5 attorneys, substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation
6 professionals, law enforcement and community supervision personnel,
7 researchers and educators, national and community leaders, and
8 others dedicated to drug courts and similar types of treatment
9 programs are healing families and communities across the country;
10 and

11 Whereas, Treatment courts improve public safety, education,
12 employment, housing, financial stability, promote family
13 reunification, reduce foster care placements, and increase the rate
14 of mothers delivering babies who are drug-free; and

15 Whereas, Treatment courts demonstrate that when one person
16 rises out of substance use and crime, we all rise; now, therefore,
17 be it

18 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
19 body recognize May 2024 as Treatment Court Month.