

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1043

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the graduates of the Robertson County Recovery Court.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those individuals who complete government programs that not only save lives but truly make a difference in our society by reducing drug use and recidivism, reuniting families, and making the community safer; and

WHEREAS, one such program is the Robertson County Recovery Court, which utilizes an innovative and effective approach to treating drug-related criminal offenders and returning them to society as useful citizens; and

WHEREAS, over sixty percent of the program's participants have been incarcerated as the result of a misdemeanor, drug-related crime and often have to overcome the obstacles of homelessness, joblessness, broken families, bridges burned, and extreme lack of resources and support; and

WHEREAS, initiated in 2015, the Robertson County Recovery Court, which has graduated over seventy individuals as of February 2020, has been successful in helping its clients reunite with children and loved ones, pay off court fines, obtain driver licenses, maintain long-term employment, and acquire stable housing, as well as other achievements; and

WHEREAS, the Robertson County Recovery Court is rebuilding shattered individuals through a winning combination of drug treatment and therapeutic work, and its most recent graduates should be applauded for transforming their lives in a positive way; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the graduates of the Robertson County Recovery Court program and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.