

# State of North Carolina

**JOSH STEIN**  
GOVERNOR

**TREATMENT COURT MONTH**

**2026**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, treatment courts represent the most successful justice system intervention for individuals with substance use and mental health disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, these programs save lives, reunite families, and reduce crime by combining rigorous treatment with intensive judicial supervision; and

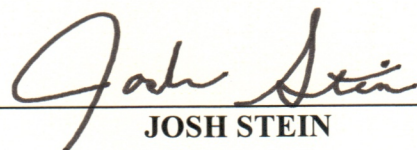
**WHEREAS**, treatment courts annually refer more than 150,000 people to lifesaving treatment and recovery support services; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 4,000 operate nationwide, there are 45 treatment courts that operate in North Carolina providing adult, family, juvenile, and veteran intervention; and

**WHEREAS**, treatment courts provide a range of economic benefits to a community, such as reduced costs in court and prison expenditures, increased tax revenues, lowered foster care expenses, and decreased costs related to victimization;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2026 as **“TREATMENT COURT MONTH”** in North Carolina and commend its observance to all residents.



  
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**JOSH STEIN**  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-seventh day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-sixth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fiftieth.