COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 17-22

1 A RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY AS DRUG COURT AWARENESS MONTH IN THE
2 CITY AND COUNTY OF BUTTE-SILVER BOW AND AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF
3 EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE AN APPROPRIATE PROCLAMATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN
4 EFFECTIVE DATE HEREIN.

5 WHEREAS, Drug Courts provide the focus and leadership for community-wide, anti-drug
6 systems, bringing together treatment, education, child protective services,
7 criminal justice and other community partners in the fight against drug abuse,
8 criminality, and child abuse and neglect; and

9 WHEREAS, Drug Court programs are the original form of Drug Court policy reform that
10 combine intensive judicial supervision, mandatory substance abuse treatment
11 and drug testing and escalating sanctions and incentives in order to break the
12 cycle of drug addiction and its related abuse and neglect of children; and

13 WHEREAS, the Judges, social workers, prosecutors, defense attorneys, treatment and
14 rehabilitation professionals, law enforcement and corrections personnel,
15 researchers and educators, national and community leaders and others dedicated
16 to the movement have had a profound impact through hard work and
17 commitment to their communities; and

18 WHEREAS, the Butte-Silver Bow Family Drug Court was established in 2004 and has had
19 incredible success in providing stable, secure, and nurturing environments for
20 children and their sober parents. Since that time the Butte Family Drug Court
21 has held numerous graduations celebrating graduate parents breaking the cycle

22 of dependency of drugs and alcohol and establishing permanency for their
23 children; and

24 WHEREAS, the Butte Family Drug Court is scheduled to have its 2017 Drug Court
25 Graduation on Thursday, May 25, 2017, to celebrate the successful completion
26 of families who are reunified and substance free; and

27 WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interests of the citizens of the City and County of
28 Butte-Silver Bow to declare May as Drug Court Awareness Month and to
29 authorize the Chief Executive to issue the appropriate proclamation.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS
31 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BUTTE-SILVER BOW, STATE OF MONTANA:

32 SECTION 1: May is hereby declared as Drug Court Awareness Month in the City and
33 County of Butte-Silver Bow.

34 SECTION 2: The Chief Executive is hereby authorized to issue an appropriate
35 proclamation declaring that May is Drug Court Awareness Month in the
36 City and County of Butte-Silver Bow.

37 SECTION 3: Effective Date. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from
38 and after passage and approval.

39 PASSED this _____ day of May, 2017.

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42 JOHN P. MORGAN
43 Chairperson of the Council of Commissioners
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APPROVED this _____ day of May, 2017.

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DAVE PALMER
Chief Executive

ATTEST:

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SALLY HOLLIS
Clerk & Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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EILEEN JOYCE
County Attorney

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SHERYL RALPH
Chairman, Judiciary Committee