

1 State of Arkansas  
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HR 1037

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5 By: Representatives Slape, Vaught

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 TO RECOGNIZE THE RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
9 TREATMENT PROGRAM AT THE SEVIER COUNTY JAIL.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 TO RECOGNIZE THE RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE  
14 ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAM AT THE SEVIER  
15 COUNTY JAIL.

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19 WHEREAS, substance abuse is a problem across our country and the Sevier  
20 County Jail has done its part in helping those in need; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program gives  
23 inmates the opportunity to be rehabilitated from drug abuse and prepare for a  
24 productive life after incarceration; and

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26 WHEREAS, the program began at Sevier County Jail in August of 2017, and  
27 the program has graduated 75 students while having a 70% success rate; and

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29 WHEREAS, there were 67 physical altercations the year before the  
30 program started and only 12 physical altercations the year after the program  
31 started; and

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33 WHEREAS, participants are taught discipline and life skills and receive  
34 vocational training; and

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36 WHEREAS, Sheriff Robert Gentry and Jail Administrator Chris Wolcott



1 have dedicated countless hours to making the program a success; and

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3 WHEREAS, the graduates and members of the program have devoted  
4 themselves to achieving a better life for themselves and those around them,

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6 NOW THEREFORE,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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10 THAT the House of Representatives acknowledge the members and leaders  
11 of the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program at the Sevier County  
12 Jail.

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be  
15 provided to Sheriff Robert Gentry by the Chief Clerk of the House of  
16 Representatives.