

# Resolution #29-2012/2013

## National County Government Month - April 2013

### “Smart Justice: Creating Safer Communities”

**WHEREAS**, the nation’s 3,069 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving more than 300 million Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, Grundy County and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

**WHEREAS**, county governments are often the entity providing both direct and indirect services to enhance the lives residents and are responsible for maintaining public safety and the efficient use of local tax dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, currently more than 13 million individuals are booked into county jails each year and more than 700,000 individuals are booked into state and federal prisons; and

**WHEREAS**, National Association of Counties President Chris Rodgers is encouraging counties to promote effective community corrections programs across the country through his 2012-13 “Smart Justice” presidential initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve;

**WHEREAS**, Grundy County will celebrate this event by, among other events, bringing Charlie Wittmack, renowned world explorer, to tell his story of overcoming obstacles to Grundy County residents on April 11 and 12, 2013.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims April 2013 as National County Government Month and encourages all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in celebrating county government.

Approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2013.



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James Ross, Chairperson  
Grundy County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



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