WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Johnson County Community Health Services- Johnson County, Missouri, under the powers given to the Board of Trustees by the provisions of §192.300, RSMo., has authority to promulgate orders, ordinances, rules or regulations to enhance the public health and prevent the entrance of dangerous diseases into the County; and

WHEREAS, prescription drug, in particular opioid, abuse has been recognized as a nationwide epidemic and forty-nine states have established prescription drug monitoring programs to combat the problem; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of a statewide program in Missouri, various counties and cities are cooperating to institute their own prescription drug monitoring programs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is in the best interest of public health in Johnson County to establish a prescription drug monitoring program; and

WHEREAS, it is further declared that the provision hereinafter set forth and enacted are in pursuance of and for the purpose of promoting the above goal by adopting an ordinance enacting the development and administration of a prescription drug monitoring program in Johnson County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:

1. Johnson County adopts the attached Prescription Drug Monitoring Ordinance.
2. It is the intention of the Johnson County Community Health Services Board of Trustees that each separate provision of this ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein; and that if any part of this ordinance be declared invalid, all other remaining provisions shall remain valid and enforceable.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED ON THIS 27th DAY OF April, 2017.

Alex Wales, Chairman  JCCHS Board of Trustees

Corrine Burgin, Secretary  JCCHS Board of Trustees

Anthony Arton, Administrator  JCCHS