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Ada County and the District Court to Celebrate Juror Appreciation Week May 9th to 13th, 2022

Ada County Loves its Jurors! To show appreciation for the juror heroes who have served on a grand jury or spent countless days in trial to provide justice in the hundreds of cases tried in Ada County, as well as those who did not serve on a trial jury but responded to their summonses, fulfilling their civic duties, and in the process helped make our system of justice the best in the world, Ada County Courts are sponsoring Juror Appreciation Week from May 9 to 13, 2022.

Jury trials are a core value of American citizenship. Indeed, the obligation and privilege to serve as jurors are as fundamental to our democracy as our right to vote.

"Jury duty is so integral to protecting important fundamental rights guaranteed by the constitution, that it is, apart from the infrequent use of military conscription, the only instance where a citizen's participation in our democracy is compelled. Because jury service is so important, and because it is compelled; it must be recognized and appreciated for the tremendous contribution that it is to our constitutional order. It is because of this that we so gratefully thank those citizens who have served," said the Honorable Steven Hippler, Administrative District Judge for the Fourth Judicial District.

Ada County citizens have understood the importance of this duty and fulfilled their obligation despite the uncertainty and risks caused by the pandemic as illustrated by the 103 criminal jury trials held in 2020, the 160 held in 2021 and the 103 jury trials held since March 1, 2022.

To celebrate jurors' commitment, the Idaho Courts and the Board of Ada County Commissioners will be issuing proclamations highlighting Juror Appreciation Week, our assembly rooms will be decorated, and the environment will be festive. Join us Monday, May 9th at 8 am to start celebrating this important week!

WHAT: Juror Appreciation Week

WHEN: May 9 - 13, 2022

WHERE: Jury Assembly Room, 4th Floor Ada County Courthouse | 200 W. Front Street Boise, 83702