

CITY PROCLAMATION

Whereas, cities across our nation have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with drug and alcohol abuse; and

Whereas, there is hope in winning the War on Drugs, and that hope lies in the hard work and determination of our communities to create a drug free environment; and

Whereas, local leaders, in government and in the community, know that the support of the people in the neighborhoods is the most effective weapon they can have in their efforts to reduce the demand for illegal drugs and drive away the suppliers of those drugs; and

Whereas, success will not occur overnight, our patience and continued commitment to drug education and prevention are imperative; and

Whereas, the National Red Ribbon Celebration has been established by the National Family Partnership to help create awareness of the drug problems facing every community, to develop parent and community teams to combat illegal drugs, and to promote drug free lifestyles for America's youth; and

Whereas, October 20-26, 1997, has been designated National Red Ribbon Week with President Clinton as Honorary Chair of the celebration. All American's are called on to show their support for a drug free nation by wearing a red ribbon during that week.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that I _____, Mayor of the City of _____ do hereby proclaim October 20-26, 1997 as national Red Ribbon Week in this City, and encourage all citizens, businesses, public and private agencies, media, religious and education institutions to wear and display red ribbons throughout that week to join the rest of the nation in promoting the National Red Ribbon Celebration and a drug free America.