

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the abuse of alcohol and drugs in this nation has reached epidemic stages; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts by community members be launched to eliminate the demand for drugs; and

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign offers citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles (no use of illegal drugs); and

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign will be celebrated in every community in America during Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31; and

WHEREAS, businesses, government, parents, law enforcement, media, medical institutions, religious institutions, schools, senior citizens, service organizations, and youth will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign; and

WHEREAS, the community of Belleville, Illinois supports the goals of the National Red Ribbon Campaign; and

*NOW THEREFORE, I, Mark W. Eckert, Mayor of the City of Belleville, Illinois, do hereby proclaim October 23-31, as **RED RIBBON WEEK**, and encourage our citizens to participate in drug prevention education activities, not only during Red Ribbon Week, but all year long, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug-free community.*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the corporate seal of the City of Belleville to be affixed this 21st day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen.

Pride in the Past . . . Promise for the Future

Mark W. Eckert

Mark W. Eckert, Mayor
October 21, 2019

