proclamation

National Red Ribbon Week | October 23-31, 2025

WHEREAS, communities across America have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with illicit drug use and those that traffic them; and

WHEREAS, there is hope in winning the war on drugs, which lies in education and drugdemand reduction, coupled with the hard work and determination of organizations such as the Young Marines of the Marine Corps League, to foster a healthy, drug-free lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, governments and community leaders know that citizen support is one of the most effective tools in the effort to reduce the use of illicit drugs in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the red ribbon has been chosen as a symbol commemorating the work of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, a drug enforcement administration agent who was murdered in the line of duty and represents the belief that one person can make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the "Red Ribbon Campaign" was established by Congress in 1988 to encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention and reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS, National Red Ribbon Week encourages all Americans to wear a red ribbon to show their support for a drug-free environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Sheila DeCiccio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Winter Park, in the state of Florida, do hereby proclaim Thursday, October 23 through Friday, October 31, 2025, as "National Red Ribbon Week" in Winter Park, Florida.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Winter Park, Florida, to be affixed this 29th day of September 2025.

Sheila DeCiccio Mayor