A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DECLARING OCTOBER 23rd – 31st 2018 AS RED RIBBON WEEK IN THE CITY OF POMONA

Whereas, substance abuse is particularly damaging to one of our most valuable resources, our children, and a contributing factor in the three leading causes of death for teenagers – accidents, homicides, and suicides; and

Whereas, Red Ribbon Week Campaign and activities promote and offers citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles without illegal drugs or the illegal use of legal drugs, and

Whereas, it is the goal of Red Ribbon Week and the City of Pomona to involve families, schools businesses, churches, law enforcement agencies and service organizations in all aspects of this campaign and establish an atmosphere that supports awareness, education and on-going initiatives to prevent drug use, and

Whereas, National Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated in almost every community in America during Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31; and

Whereas, there are many activities planned during the Red Ribbon Week Campaign in the City of Pomona,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, hereby proclaims October $23^{rd} - 3^{st}$ 2018 as Red Ribbon Week in the City of Pomona and the city encourages its 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 Pomona, California.

Dated this 15th day of October, 2018