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Agenda Item

County of Hanover

Board Meeting: October 14, 2015

Subject: Adoption of Proclamation – Red Ribbon Week

Summary of Agenda Item: It is requested that the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached proclamation proclaiming the last week in October as Red Ribbon Week in Hanover County.

County Administrator's Recommended Board Motion: A motion to adopt the proclamation

DRAFT PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS communities across America have numerous problems associated with illicit drug use and those that traffic in them; and

WHEREAS there is hope in winning the war on drugs, and that hope lies in educating people so that there will be less demand for drugs, led by 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, law enforcement 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 to commemorate the work of Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Enrique “Kiki” Camarena 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, established by Congress in 1988, was to encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention and reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS the last week of October has been designated National Red Ribbon Week, encouraging Americans to wear a red ribbon to show their support for a drug-free environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors for Hanover County, Virginia, does hereby proclaim the last week in October as Red Ribbon Week and urges all citizens to join in this special observance.