

CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Communities across America have been plagued by the 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 education and drug demand reduction, coupled with the hard work and determination of many organizations 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, The 2024 National Red Ribbon week theme is "Life is a movie, film drug free" which serves as a powerful reminder that ordinary Americans nationwide contribute significantly to their communities every day by embracing a drug-free lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, October 23-31 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, I, Betty Resch, Mayor of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me and on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim:

OCTOBER 23-31, 2024

as

RED RIBBON WEEK

and urge all citizens of the City of Lake Worth, Florida to join me in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 15th day of October, 2024.

Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, MMC, City Clerk