# **SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

222A **SUBMITTAL DATE:** 

October 6, 2010

FROM: Department of Mental Health

SUBJECT: FY 10/11 Riverside County Red Ribbon Week Proclamation

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Move that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors support the National and State "Red Ribbon" Campaign, and proclaim the week of October 23 thru October 31, 2010 as Riverside County Red Ribbon Week.

BACKGROUND: The Red Ribbon Week Celebration began when drug traffickers in Mexico murdered the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Agent Enrique Camarena, in 1985. Now in its twenty-fifth year, the Red Ribbon Campaign enables communities to create positive peer pressure by visibly encouraging drug-free choices and promoting the standards held by the majority of the people in our county, state and nation: "NO USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS AND NO ILLEGAL USE OF LEGAL DRUGS." (Continued on page 2)

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	FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year E	rent Year Budget: N//	
		Current F.Y. Net County Cost: Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0 Budget Adjustm \$ 0 For Fiscal Year:		ent:	N/A
					2010/1	
	SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A				Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	
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	C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:  APPROVE					
Policy	County Execut	Executive Office Signature  BY: July Courage Debra Courage		Durnoyer	·	
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## **BACKGROUND: (continued)**

Annually, California's Red Ribbon Campaign is coordinated by Californians for Drug Free Youth, Inc. State Co-Sponsors of the campaign include: the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, the Department of Education, the California Parent Teacher Association (PTA), and the Attorney General's Crime Prevention Center.

The slogan for FY 10/11's campaign is, "Drug Free is the Choice for me!" During the last full week of October 2010 as a demonstration of support of this monumental recognition, all citizens are encouraged to wear and/or display red ribbons, as well as participate in drug abuse prevention and awareness programs in their communities during Red Ribbon Week. Therefore, the Department of Mental Health is requesting that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the week of October 23 thru October 31, 2010 as Riverside County Red Ribbon Week for FY 10/11.

## RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM RED RIBBON WEEK CELEBRATION

#### **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Drug use and abuse has reached pandemic stages in California, and throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that community members launch unified and visible tobacco, alcohol, and other drug prevention education programs and activities to eliminate the demand for these

substances; and

WHEREAS, The National RED RIBBON CELEBRATION will be celebrated October 23-31, 2010 with the theme for this year, "Drug Free is

the Choice For Me!" and

WHEREAS, Californians for Drug-Free Youth, Inc., the California Department

of Alcohol and Drug Programs, the California Department of Education, the California Parent/Teacher Association, and the Attorney General's Crime Prevention Center are coordinating this grass roots effort in the State of California in a united effort with

the National Federation of Parents; and

WHEREAS, Schools, businesses, law enforcement agencies, churches and

synagogues, hospitals, and service organizations, government agencies, and individuals will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons

during this week-long campaign; and

WHEREAS, The County of Riverside commits its resources to ensure the

success of the 2010 RED RIBBON WEEK CELEBRATION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of Riverside does hereby support October 23-31, 2010, as the RIVERSIDE COUNTY RED RIBBON WEEK, and encourages its citizens to participate in drug awareness/education activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to healthy lives.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside encourages all its citizens to pledge and support,

"Drug Free is the Choice For Me!"