Huntsville Independent School District "Red Ribbon" Week & Bullying Prevention Month

Resolution #26-01

WHEREAS illegal drugs have been responsible for the loss of the livelihood and the loss of virtually every community in the nation; and WHEREAS the cost of fighting the war on drugs in our schools, hospitals and on our streets has grown steadily over the years, far outstripping the ability of local governments to maintain the anti-drug efforts that are needed; and WHEREAS local leaders, in government and the community, know that the support of the neighborhoods is the most effective weapon they can have in their efforts to reduce the demand for illegal drugs and drive away the suppliers of those drugs; and WHEREAS the National Red Ribbon Campaign has been established by the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth to help create awareness of the drug problems facing every community, to develop parent and community teams to combat illegal drugs, and to promote drug-free lifestyles for America's youth; this year's theme is "Life Is A Puzzle, Solve It Drug Free."; and WHEREAS October is the month designated as Bullying Prevention Month and the act of "Bullying" among school age students is a very serious problem. Bullying occurs through face-to-face confrontation or Cyberbullying through the use of technology such as computers, cell phones and other electronic devices. Cyberbullying occurs with hurtful and often embarrassing messages via text, emails and online messages. WHEREAS Bullying negatively affects the atmosphere of a school and disrupts the learning environment. Bullying is not something educators have to accept. It takes the entire school community to create an inviting school where everyone feels they belong and are safe. Working together, administrators, teachers, school staff, parents, and students can help stop bullying in school. Bullying is less likely to occur when there are strong messages against it. October 23-31, 2025, is designated as "Red Ribbon Week" in Huntsville ISD along with the WHEREAS designation of the entire month of October as Bullying Prevention Month; wearing red will focus attention on various comprehensive anti-drug public awareness, prevention and education programs as well as spreading the anti-bullying message along with good character education. The Week of October 23-31, 2025, be declared "Red Ribbon Week" and The month of October be declared **Bullving Prevention Month** In Huntsville ISD All students, staff, parents and the entire Huntsville community are encouraged to wear red throughout that week in support of a drug free America. Resolved this 19th day of September 2025. Tracy Stoudt, Board Vice President Ken Holland, Board President