

Proclamation

“SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH”

April 2010

WHEREAS, few citizens in the Prescott community and members of Prescott Unified School District are unaffected by substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse is directly associated with crimes against persons and property, domestic violence, physical illness, child abuse, economic loss, destruction of families, driving while impaired and drug-related vehicular collisions; and

WHEREAS, the resources and capacity of the courts and detention system, hospital emergency rooms and providers of behavioral health services are severely stretched by the proliferation of methamphetamine, illegal drugs and abuse of other substances such as prescription drugs within the City of Prescott; and

WHEREAS, the Prescott community, the Yavapai County Attorney's Office and Prescott Unified School District have united against methamphetamines, illegal drugs, prescription drugs and alcohol abuse to form MATForce, the Yavapai County Substance Abuse Coalition; and

WHEREAS, MATForce views substance abuse as a community problem that is best addressed through a variety of strategies that bring together education, treatment and criminal justice resources in a coordinated, individualized approach; and


WHEREAS, MATForce has declared April 2010 as “Substance Abuse Awareness Month” to heighten public awareness of the dangers of substance abuse and of available treatment options.

NOW THEREFORE, Prescott Unified School District proclaims the month of April as:

“SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH”

DATED this 20th day of April 2010.

Joan Fleming, President
PUSD Governing Board



Kevin J. Kapp, Superintendent
Prescott Unified School District