

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, drug abuse creates critical problems for our society; and

WHEREAS, each of the Torrance Council of PTAs thirty Parent-Teacher Associations works along with the Torrance Unified School District and the City of Torrance to provide parents and children with useful and relevant information and education on the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse; and

WHEREAS, the annual drug abuse prevention campaign, **Red Ribbon Week**, is being held October 23-31, 2008 with the theme of ***I Elect To Be Drug Free***; and

WHEREAS, this nation-wide campaign encourages schools, businesses, law enforcement agencies, churches, hospitals, service clubs, government agencies and individuals to demonstrate their commitment to a drug-free society by wearing and displaying red ribbons; and

WHEREAS, during this week, red ribbons are proudly worn by Torrance students, parents, teachers, police officers, and other concerned community members showing support and encouragement for our youth to remain free of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs; and

WHEREAS, participation in drug awareness activities such as displaying or wearing a red ribbon demonstrates a united commitment to live a healthy life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim the week of October 23-31, 2008 as

RED RIBBON WEEK

in the City of Torrance, and urge all citizens to participate in drug awareness activities throughout the City and display or wear red ribbons during this week to make a strong, visible commitment to live a healthy life.

Signed this 28th day of October 2008.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers
City Clerk