



Recognizing **Red Ribbon Week** in Comal County

WHEREAS, counties across America have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; and

WHEREAS, there is hope in winning the War on Drugs, and the hope lies in the hard work and determination of our communities to create a drug free environment; and

WHEREAS, local leaders, in government and in the community, know that the support of the people in the neighborhoods is the most effective tool they can have in their efforts to reduce use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs by Texans; and

WHEREAS, success will not occur overnight, our patience and continued commitment to drug education and prevention are imperative; and

WHEREAS, the red ribbon was 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 has come to represent the belief that one person CAN make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the Red Ribbon Campaign was established by Congress in 1988 to promote this belief and encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, October 17 - 25, 2009, has been designated National Red Ribbon Week calling on all Americans to show their support for a drug-free state by wearing a red ribbon and participating in drug-free activities during that week; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners Court of Comal County, duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of Comal County, does hereby proclaim October 17 - 25, 2009, as Red Ribbon Week in Comal County and encourage all citizens, businesses, public and private agencies, media, religious and educational institutions to wear and display red ribbons and participate in drug-free activities throughout that week, joining the rest of the state in promoting the Red Ribbon Celebration and a drug-free America.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 15th day of October 2009.

Danny Scheel, County Judge

Donna Eccleston, Commissioner, Pct 1

Jay Millikin, Commissioner, Pct 2

Gregory Parker, Commissioner, Pct 3

Jan Kennady, Commissioner, Pct 4

Attest: _____
Joy Streater, County Clerk