



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

RESOLUTION

1. WHEREAS, this week, the last week in October, is Red Ribbon Week in Wallingford, a week dedicated to illuminating the concerns surrounding addiction and its impact upon youth, families and survivors of those lost to addiction;
2. WHEREAS, it has been brought to light through recent media attention that, in March of 2016, United States Congress passed the "Marino Bill," taking authority away from the Drug Enforcement Administration and its ability to enforce the Controlled Substances Act;
3. WHEREAS, during the period from 2000 to 2016, the United States has lost more than 188,000 lives as a result of opioid addiction. The crisis continues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD:

1. The Wallingford Town Council stands firmly in support of those taking on the opioid crisis, seeking solutions to combat opioid addiction and related deaths. The Council is furthermore in support of Congressional efforts to repeal the "Marino Bill."
2. Any Congressional representative, planning to attend any of the Red Ribbon Week ceremonies in Wallingford should do so with the intention of explaining his or her plans to repeal the "Marino Bill," thereby restoring the DEA power to enforce the Controlled Substances Act.
3. The Wallingford Town Council further urges Americans to embark upon a letter campaign, with the intended result of sending 188,000 letters to their respective Congressional Representatives.

Certified a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town of Wallingford at a meeting of its Town Council on 10-24-17, and which has not been rescinded or modified in any way whatsoever.

October 25, 2017
(Date)

Barbara Hopson
(Clerk)