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**RESOLUTION # 19-12
RESOLUTION OF PARTICIPATION IN
THE RED RIBBON CELEBRATION**

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drug abuse in this nation has reached epidemic stages, and the 15-24 year old age group is dying at a faster rate than any other age group; **AND**

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drug problems kill 1700 Ohioans and costs Ohio over \$7.2 billion a year in lost work, health problems, treatment, and criminal justice costs; **AND**

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified prevention and education efforts by community members be launched to reduce the demand for drugs; **AND**

WHEREAS, Ohio Parents for Drug Free Youth is urging all Ohioans to wear a Red Ribbon, sign an Ohio Sign Up Sheet and make a commitment to a health drug free lifestyle; **AND**

WHEREAS, businesses, social services, governments, school service organizations, religious institutions, safety forces, and individuals will demonstrate their commitment to a health drug free lifestyle by earning and displaying Red Ribbons during this month long celebration; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Pioneer Career and Technology Center in the County of Richland further commits its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Celebration; **NOW**

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that Pioneer Career and Technology Center in the County of Richland does hereby declare the month of October drug awareness month. We encourage all students, parents, Board members, faculty and staff to participate in alcohol and other drug education and prevention activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug free community; **AND**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pioneer Career and Technology Center encourages all individuals to become a *Partner for a Drug Free Ohio* by signing up for a drug free lifestyle of "no use of illegal drugs and no illegal use of legal drugs".

Signed this 15th day of October 2012

Pioneer Superintendent

Pioneer Treasurer

Pioneer Board of Education President

_____ seconded the motion