

Resolution 2014-01

Declaration for a Drug-free Idaho

WHEREAS, Idaho is our home – the place where we live and work and raise our families; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is not immune to the blight of drug abuse that affects our entire nation, harming families, individuals and businesses; and

WHEREAS, The Association of Idaho Cities, representing 200 cities in Idaho, has launched a statewide campaign to end complacency, ignorance, and apathy about the impacts of drug abuse; and

WHEREAS, Prevention education works to decrease destructive behavior and can reverse the trend of increased drug use resulting from nationwide drug legalization efforts; and

WHEREAS, We understand that winning the fight against drugs is only possible as each sector of our society steps up to do its part, and for us, as adults to be role models; and

WHEREAS, The societal costs of drug abuse are felt in a variety of ways including destruction of families, impacts to public education, productivity in the workplace, decrease in public safety including escalation in the number of impaired drivers on Idaho roads, and effect other areas of our lives; and

WHEREAS, We affirm that the battle against substance abuse and addition is about our children. We must help them walk drug-free through a drug-filled world.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVLED We declare we will do everything in our power to make Idaho drug free with responsible local, state and national policies; and we will engage with community partners, coalitions, and organizations to bring strong and effective prevention strategies and activities to cities in Idaho.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 23RD DAY OF JANUARY, 2014.



Neils Thueson, Mayor

Attest:



Patty Unruh Parkinson, City Clerk

