



THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS
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RED RIBBON WEEK

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS

A PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS, alcohol and drug abuse affect individuals, families, and communities in the Territory and across the Nation; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified efforts by community members be launched to prevent drug abuse; and

WHEREAS, Red Ribbon Week offers citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 National Red Ribbon Week theme is, "Celebrate Life. Live Drug-Free." The theme is a reminder that everyday Americans across the country make significant daily contributions to their communities by being the best they can be because they live drug-free; and

WHEREAS, businesses, government, law enforcement, media, health care providers, religious institutions, schools, and other community-based organizations may demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing red ribbons and participating in drug prevention activities.

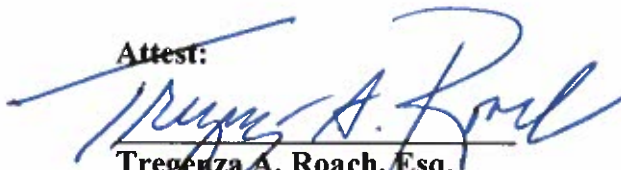
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert Bryan, Jr., Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, as amended, do hereby **proclaim Sunday, October 23, 2022 - Monday, October 31, 2022**, as "*Red Ribbon Week*" in the Virgin Islands. I encourage residents to participate in drug prevention education activities, not

only during Red Ribbon Week but also throughout the year, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug-free lifestyle.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States to be affixed at Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands this 20th day of September, A.D. 2022.




Albert Bryan, Jr.
Governor

Attest:

Tregenza A. Roach, Esq.
Lieutenant Governor