



HANDS & WORDS ARE NOT FOR HURTING PROJECT®

THE PLEDGE:

"I WILL NOT USE MY HANDS OR MY WORDS FOR HURTING MYSELF OR OTHERS" ®

Proclamation

WHEREAS, a community without abuse and violence is a dream we all share; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that any form of mistreatment of another is abuse; and

WHEREAS, abuse can be in the form of verbal, mental or physical, and often escalates to further violence; and

WHEREAS, we believe that all people have the right to live free of abuse and violence; and

WHEREAS, we believe that every person can make a difference in stopping abuse and violence by not using either action to control others, by not tolerating any form of abuse to oneself or others, and by developing healthy relationships based on respect and equality; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and support the efforts of District staff and our community in promoting respect and equality for all people, teaching conflict resolution behaviors, and helping students learn how to stop abusive cycles; and we recognize the Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting Project as an effective tool in abuse and violence prevention education: and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of McMinnville School District, together with communities around the country and overseas, does hereby proclaim October 14-20, 2018 as our 13th Annual

HANDS & WORDS ARE NOT FOR HURTING WEEK

in the McMinnville School District, and we urge all citizens to join Hands and unite as a family and community pledging:

"I Will Not Use My Hands Or My Words For Hurting Myself Or Others."

Barbara Laster
Chairperson

10-8-2018
Date