

# Proclamation

## City of Berry

**Whereas**, Win the War Against Violence, a Lexington, Kentucky non profit organization and public charity, has announced "A Moral Challenge" Win the War! Against Violence in Kentucky to facilitate a reduction of all unjustified violence within our Commonwealth.

**Whereas**, Win the War! Against Violence Challenge is a violence reduction and prevention educational awareness campaign to challenge and encourage all people in Berry, Kentucky to reduce the number of violence victimizations in the City in 2012.

**Whereas**, this Campaign is most especially targeted to the youths of Kentucky.

**Whereas**, violence negatively affects everyone in our city and Kentucky regardless of their position or beliefs.

**Whereas**, violence in Kentucky remains at an unacceptably high level.

**Whereas**, violence reduces the quality of life for victims of violence in our city and in Kentucky.

**Whereas**, violence interferes with a student's education in our city and Kentucky and interferes educator's ability to teach.

**Whereas**, violence creates unnecessary costs to individuals and businesses within Kentucky.

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**Whereas**, when Kentucky makes progress in reducing violence it will become even more attractive to new businesses and visitors.

**Whereas**, all of the 4.3 Million people in Kentucky would in some way benefit from a ten percent reduction in violence in 2012 most especially its 1 Million children which is 23 percent of Kentucky's population.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BERRY RESOLVES**, this 1<sup>st</sup>. day of November, 2012, to Win the War Against Violence in our City.



CITY OF BERRY, KENTUCKY

Kenneth H. Abner, Mayor