

# Office of the Mayor



## Proclamation

**Whereas**, the month of October has been declared National Vision Awareness Month; and

**Whereas**, the Florida Council of the Blind, The Manasota Lighthouse for the Blind, and the Venice Lions Club have recognized the needs of the blind and legally blind citizens in our community; and

**Whereas**, all citizens are being asked to be aware that when a white cane is seen, it is a clear indication that the bearer cannot see; and

**Whereas**, we recognize that the white cane law requires that all traffic stops when the bearer starts across the street, even when there is a green light for oncoming traffic.

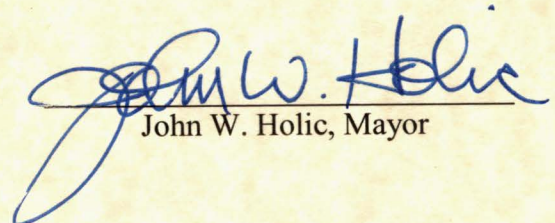
**Now, Therefore**, I, John W. Holic, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council do hereby proclaim October 15, 2017 as

### ***National White Cane Safety Day***

in the City of Venice and encourage all of its citizens to recognize and support the blind and visually impaired citizens of our community.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Venice to be affixed this 10th day of October, 2017.*



  
John W. Holic, Mayor