Agenda Report



2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

Resolution/Award/Presentation

E.1. 12/8/2020

Subject:

National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day, December 21, 2020 (District 4)

Fiscal Impact:

None

Dept/Office:

Housing and Human Services

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the attached Resolution recognizing December 21, 2020 as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day.

Summary Explanation and Background:

The Brevard Homeless Coalition requests that the Board of County Commissioners recognize December 21, 2020, as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day. Memorial Services will be held in Brevard County to recognize those who were homeless and have died during the past year.

Each year, advocates for and friends of homeless people throughout the nation join the National Coalition for the Homeless in observing Homeless Persons' Memorial Day in recognition of the homeless men, women and children whose final residence was the streets or a shelter. In many cases, homelessness caused or hastened the deaths of these individuals. Homeless Persons' Memorial Day is officially observed December 21st, the first day of winter and the longest night of the year. In Brevard County, we will be memorializing 43 homeless individuals that died during the past year.

The observances in Brevard County will be held Monday, December 21, 2020 at Daily Bread - 815 E Fee Ave, Melbourne, FL 32901 at 1:30 pm and at Sand Point Park - 101 N Washington Ave Titusville, FL 32796 at 5:00 pm.

Resolution to be accepted by members of the Brevard Homeless Coalition.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please frame the Resolution.



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December 9, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ian Golden, Housing & Human Services Director Att

Attn: Brittany Ray

RE:

Item E.1., Resolution Proclaiming December 21, 2020, as National Homeless

Persons' Memorial Day

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on December 8, 2020, adopted Resolution No. 20-153 proclaiming December 21, 2020, as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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Encl. (1)





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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution

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WHEREAS, in this season of generosity and sharing, citizens of Brevard County are encouraged to commit themselves to promoting compassion and concern for fellow citizens, especially those who are poor and homeless; and

WHEREAS, in remembering those who have died on our streets, in our emergency shelters, and in condemned or abandoned properties from ailments or conditions directly related to homelessness, the cause of ending homelessness is kept urgent, as is the collective commitment to preventing such deaths in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, does hereby designate Monday, December 21, 2020 as

NATIONAL HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session on this 8th day of December

2020.

ATTEST:

SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

RITA PRITCHETT, CHAIR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA



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	Board of County Commissioners
	Brevard County, Florida