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| Meeting Date |
| May 3, 2016 |



| AGENDA | |
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| Section | Resolutions |
| Item No. | I.B. |

AGENDA REPORT
BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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| SUBJECT: | Resolution recognizing Jamie Tworkowski, founder of To Write Love on Her Arms (TWLOHA) |
| DEPT/OFFICE: | Commissioner Trudie Infantini, District 3 |

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve this resolution recognizing Jamie Tworkowski and the non-profit To Write Love on Her Arms for their life-saving and life-changing efforts for people who struggle with depression, addiction, self-injury and suicide.

Summary Explanation & Background:

Jamie Tworkowski will be present to accept this resolution.

Contact: Linda Mannier
 Phone: (321) 952-6300

Clerk to the Board instruction: Please frame

Exhibits Attached: Resolution

Contract / Agreement (If attached): Reviewed by County Attorney Yes No PR

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| County Manager | Deputy County Manager | Department Director / Extension |
| Stockton Whitten | Assistant County Manager | Commissioner Trudie Infantini, District 3 |



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May 4, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Trudie Infantini, District 3 Attn: Linda Mannier

RE: Item I.B., Resolution Recognizing Jamie Tworkowski, Founder of To Write Love on Her Arms (TWLOHA)

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on May 3, 2016, adopted Resolution No. 16-054, recognizing Jamie Tworkowski, founder of To Write Love on Her Arms (TWLOHA). Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

✓ Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution

WHEREAS, JAMIE TWORKOWSKI is a Melbourne Beach native and the founder of the non-profit To Write Love on Her Arms; and

WHEREAS, To Write Love on Her Arms – TWLOHA – began in 2006 with a single blog post by JAMIE on MySpace, and from selling t-shirts; in an attempt to help a friend enter a treatment center to deal with addiction, depression, self-injury, and an attempted suicide, and to tell the story; and

WHEREAS, the TWLOHA movement is dedicated to presenting hope, and finding help for people battling mental health issues and connects them to treatment centers, websites, books and support groups, and encourages people to have honest conversations about their struggles; and

WHEREAS, sparked by the support of bands such as Switchfoot, Anberlin, and Paramore, the TWLOHA t-shirts quickly became something of a phenomenon with the music realm; and

WHEREAS, having a vast social media audience, with over two million followers on MySpace, FaceBook, and Twitter, the TWLOHA team has responded to over 200,000 messages from more than one hundred countries; and

WHEREAS, the TWLOHA story was made into a major motion picture and JAMIE released his first book, "If You Feel Too Much" in 2015, which went on to become a New York Times Bestseller; and

WHEREAS, as TWLOHA celebrates its 10th Anniversary in 2016, JAMIE and his team continue to encourage, inform and inspire, and have invested over \$1.6 million directly into treatment and recovery; and

WHEREAS, JAMIE tours nationwide speaking to audiences at universities and concerts, bringing a message of hope and community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, does hereby recognize and commend

JAMIE TWORKOWSKI

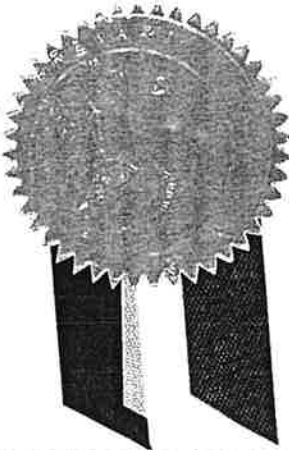
for his dedication in founding the non-profit TWLOHA and his passion devoted to bringing hope and helping mankind.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 3rd day of May, 2016.

ATTEST:

SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

JIM BARFIELD, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA



Resolution

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Whereas, the TWLOHA movement is dedicated to presenting hope and finding help for people battling mental health issues and connects them to treatment centers, websites, books and support groups and encourages people to have honest conversations about their struggles; and

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Whereas, the TWLOHA story was made into a major motion picture and Jamie released his first book, “If You Feel Too Much” in 2015 which went on to become a New York Times Bestseller; and

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DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, *in regular session, this 3rd^h Day of May, A.D., 2016.*