



Resolution/Award/Presentation

E.3.	5/21/2024

Subject:

Resolution recognizing Drown Zero International and the Surfing's Evolution and Preservation Foundation (District 5)

Fiscal Impact:

None

Dept/Office:

District 5 Commission Office

Requested Action:

It is requested that the BOCC approves the resolution recognizing Drown Zero International and the Surfing's Evolution and Preservation Foundation.

Summary Explanation and Background:

None

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please provide two framed copies of the resolution at the board meeting.



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May 22, 2024

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Commissioner Jason Steele, District 5
- RE: Item E.3., Resolution Recognizing Drown Zero International and the Surfing's Evolution and Preservation Foundation

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on May 21, 2024, adopted Resolution No. 24-044, recognizing Drown Zero International and the Surfing's Evolution and Preservation Foundation, for their efforts to prevent drownings by expanding water education, awareness, and rescue equipment availability on Brevard County beaches. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RACHEL M./SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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Encl. (1)





RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the beautiful coastal and inland beaches of Brevard County represent a world renowned recreational resource that millions of residents and visitors alike are drawn to each year; and

WHEREAS, the aquatic environment has dangers, particularly rip currents, that can be effectively managed through public awareness and the vigilance of professional lifeguards; and

WHEREAS, lifeguards do an excellent job of preventing drownings, but there are many areas of the beach that do not have lifeguard protection nearby and swimmers can get in trouble at any time of day, sometimes before or after the local lifeguard shift; and

WHEREAS, in those situations, a "Drown Zero" flotation station provides a life ring on a stand that can be used by someone on the beach to safely attempt to rescue a swimmer in distress by throwing the life ring or by swimming out with the ring; and

WHEREAS, more than 200 Drown Zero International (DZI) flotation stations have been installed on Florida beaches, including in 183 throughout Brevard, thanks to the continuing partnership with the Surfing's Evolution and Preservation Foundation.

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

DROWN ZERO INTERNATIONAL AND THE SURFING'S EVOLUTION AND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

For their efforts to prevent drownings by expanding water education, awareness, and rescue equipment availability on Brevard County beaches.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 21st day of May, A.D., 2024.

JASON STEELE, CHAIR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

RACHEL SADOFF, CLERK