



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
Way
Viera, FL 32940

Resolution/Award/Presentation

E.1.

2/6/2024

Subject:

Resolution to Recognize the Five-Year Anniversary of the Kindness All Around Symbol

Fiscal Impact:

None

Dept/Office:

District 2 Commissioner

Requested Action:

It is requested the Board pass a Resolution in recognition of the five-year anniversary of the Kindness All Around Symbol.

Summary Explanation and Background:

This Kindness Symbol was an initiative that began at Tropical Elementary in Merritt Island and was recognized in Proclamation by the Board on February 7, 2019. Since then, it has gained both state and national recognition.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please frame one (1) copy.



February 7, 2024

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Commissioner Tom Goodson, District 2

RE: Item E.1., Resolution to Recognize the Five-Year Anniversary of the Kindness All Around Symbol

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on February 6, 2024, adopted Resolution No. 24-011, recognizing the five-year anniversary of the Kindness All Around Symbol. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK**

for: Donna Scott
Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

/ds

Encl. (1)

Brevard



County

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2019, the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners in a Proclamation recognized the **KINDNESS SYMBOL** as the official symbol of kindness; and

WHEREAS, this **KINDNESS SYMBOL** was an initiative started in the TK-1 (transitional kindergarten) classroom at Tropical Elementary in Merritt Island and this Kindness Proclamation was the first official act recognizing the **KINDNESS SYMBOL**; and

WHEREAS, since then, the **KINDNESS SYMBOL** has received many recognitions including Proclamations from most cities in Brevard County: Cocoa, Cape Canaveral, Satellite Beach, Palm Bay, Melbourne, Rockledge, and Titusville, as well as many businesses and entities including the Cocoa Beach Chamber of Commerce, Merritt Island Library, and The Veteran's Memorial Center to name a few; Key West was the first "out of the county" Proclamation on July 16, 2019, followed quickly by Greene County, Ohio, to become the first county outside the State of Florida to adopt the **KINDNESS SYMBOL**; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2020, the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate both signed Resolutions recognizing the creation and promotion of the **KINDNESS SYMBOL**; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, U.S. House Resolution 887, was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor; on March 6, 2020, Representative Posey submitted remarks into the Congressional Record recognizing the **KINDNESS SYMBOL**; and on June 29, 2021, U.S. House Resolution 509, submitted by Representative Posey and co-sponsored by Representative Darren Soto, Representative Brian Mast, and Representative Maria Elvira Salazar, making it a bi-partisan Resolution, was also referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, does hereby recognize the fifth year anniversary of the



KINDNESS ALL AROUND SYMBOL

with all parents, students, community members, residents, and visitors of Brevard County, Florida, and encouraged to use and promote this official symbol of kindness.

DONE, ORDERED, AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 6th day of February, 2024.

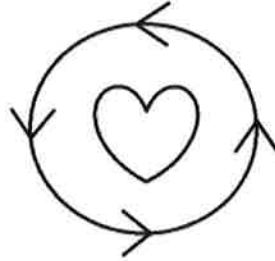
ATTEST:


RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK


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



**A RESOLUTION OF THE BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RECOGNIZING THE 5th YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE
KINDNESS ALL AROUND SYMBOL**



WHEREAS, On February 7, 2019, the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners in a Proclamation recognized the Kindness Symbol as the official symbol of kindness, and

WHEREAS, This Kindness Symbol was an initiative started in the TK-1 (transitional kindergarten) classroom at Tropical Elementary in Merritt Island and this Kindness Proclamation was the first official act recognizing the Kindness Symbol, and

WHEREAS, Since then, the Kindness Symbol has received many recognitions including Proclamations from most cities in Brevard County: Cocoa, Cape Canaveral, Satellite Beach, Palm Bay, Melbourne, Rockledge, and Titusville, as well as many businesses and entities including the Cocoa Beach Chamber of Commerce, Merritt Island Library and The Veteran's Memorial Center to name a few. Key West was the first "out of the county" Proclamation on July 16, 2019, followed quickly by Greene County, Ohio, to become the first County outside the State of Florida to adopt the Kindness Symbol, and

WHEREAS, On February 19, 2020, the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate both signed Resolutions recognizing the creation and promotion of the Kindness Symbol, and

WHEREAS, On March 5, 2020, U.S. House Resolution 887, was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor. On March 6, 2020, Representative Posey submitted remarks into the Congressional Record recognizing the Kindness Symbol, and on June 29, 2021, U.S. House Resolution 509, submitted by Rep. Posey and co-sponsored by Rep. Darren Soto, Rep. Brian Mast and Rep. Maria Elvira Salazar making it a bi-partisan Resolution was also referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, that the 5th Anniversary of the Kindness All Around Symbol is hereby recognized with all parents, students, community members, residents, and visitors of Brevard County, Florida, encouraged to use and promote this official symbol of kindness.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of February, 2024.

ATTEST:

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

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