

*Resolution*

**Whereas** Women In Defense Space Coast Chapter was founded January 21, 2013, and has grown substantially due to the support of both members and community partners;

**Whereas** Women in Defense Space Coast Chapter provides networking and professional development opportunities to promote the role of women in national defense and security, support military service members, and encourage partnerships within the local contractor community, defense industry and military personnel;

**Whereas** Brevard County is a gateway to the wonders of space and science, home to industry leaders, and holds a military presence including Patrick Space Force Base, Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, and the Naval Ordnance Test Unit, excelling in intelligence, surveillance, aircraft, reconnaissance, missiles and launch assets; and

**Whereas** since starting the Space Coast STEM Scholarship Fund, Women in Defense Space Coast Chapter has awarded more than \$76,000 in scholarships to women in the community who have pursued studies to advance their careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida does hereby recognize and commend

**Women In Defense Space Coast Chapter**

for the 10th Anniversary of its incorporation.

**DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED**, in regular session this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

**ATTEST:**

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Rachel M. Sadoff, Clerk

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Rita Pritchett, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners  
Brevard County, Florida