

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, bleeding disorders that include hemophilia, von Willebrand disease and rare bleeding disorders are characterized by the blood not clotting normally due to the lack of clotting proteins, also known as clotting factors; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, more than 20,000 individuals live with hemophilia and rare bleeding disorders, with 6,000 of them living in the state of Florida, and 1-2 percent of the American population have von Willebrand disease, and while treatment can help, the conditions are not yet curable; and

WHEREAS, symptoms of a bleeding disorder include unexplained and excessive bleeding, large or deep bruising, nosebleeds, and bleeding into joints, muscles and soft tissues, and if someone has a bleeding disorder, they may have extended bleeding with incidences such as an injury or trauma, menstruation, surgery or dental procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Bleeding Disorder Foundation of Florida, founded in 1996, supports the bleeding disorder community throughout the state and its mission is to improve the quality of life for people with the condition and their families through education, information and referral services, advocacy, support, and research, and annually hosts events throughout Florida to bring awareness to the community and needed funding for research and support services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA does hereby proclaim the month of March 2025 as

BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH

And encourages all citizens to increase their understanding and awareness of these serious bleeding disorders and thanks the health care professionals, the Bleeding Disorders Foundation of Florida and the National Bleeding Disorders Foundation for their dedication and commitment to improving treatments and ultimately, finding a cure.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 25th day of February A.D., 2025.

ROB FELTNER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

RACHEL SADOFF, CLERK