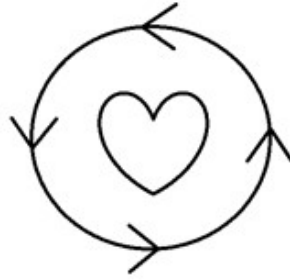


**A RESOLUTION OF THE BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RECOGNIZING THE 5th YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE
KINDNESS ALL AROUND SYMBOL**



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