

**PROCLAMATION  
OF THE  
SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PROCLAIMING JUNE 19, 2026 AS  
JUNETEENTH  
IN SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, Juneteenth marks the historic moment in 1865 when the final communities in the United States learned that freedom had been secured for all people, affirming one of the nation’s most fundamental ideals; and

**WHEREAS**, this day stands as a reminder of the importance of liberty, justice, and equal opportunity – principles that continue to guide our work toward a society where every individual can fully participate and thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, Juneteenth encourages reflection on the nation’s ongoing journey toward greater understanding, respect, and unity, reminding us that progress is strengthened when communities come together in shared purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the observance of Juneteenth has grown across the country as a time for education, cultural enrichment, community gatherings, and thoughtful dialogue about the past, present, and future of freedom in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, this day provides an opportunity for residents to honor perseverance, acknowledge the significance of our collective history, and celebrate the enduring spirit that has carried generations forward; and

**WHEREAS**, by recognizing Juneteenth, our community reaffirms its commitment to fostering an environment where every individual is valued, heard, and supported, and where the ideals of equality and human dignity are upheld; and

**WHEREAS**, the lessons represented by Juneteenth continue to inspire efforts that strengthen civic engagement, expand opportunities, and promote mutual respect among all who call this community home;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that we, the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, do hereby proclaim, June 19, 2026 as

**JUNETEENTH**

In Seminole County, Florida, and encourage all residents to join in meaningful reflection, learning, and community engagement as we honor this significant moment in our nation’s history and the ongoing pursuit of a just and unified future

**ADOPTED** this 9th day of June 2026

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Andria Herr, Chairman  
Seminole County Board of County Commissioners