

**PROCLAMATION  
OF THE  
SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PROCLAIMING APRIL 29, 2026 AS  
DENIM DAY  
IN SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, Denim Day is observed annually on the last Wednesday of April as part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, encouraging individuals to wear denim as a visible statement of solidarity with survivors of sexual violence; and

**WHEREAS**, Denim Day began in 1999 following international outrage over a court ruling that overturned a sexual assault conviction based on harmful misconceptions about consent, inspiring a global movement to challenge victim-blaming and support survivors ; and

**WHEREAS**, this campaign has grown into the longest-running sexual violence prevention and education initiative in the world, uniting communities, organizations, and governments in raising awareness and promoting prevention ; and

**WHEREAS**, sexual violence affects individuals of all ages, genders, and backgrounds, and it is the responsibility of communities to foster a culture of respect, accountability, and support for survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, Seminole County is committed to the safety, health, and well-being of its residents, and works in partnership with local organizations, law enforcement, educational institutions, and advocacy groups across Central Florida to provide resources, support services, and prevention education; and

**WHEREAS**, institutions such as Seminole State College and regional victim service organizations actively participate in awareness efforts, demonstrating the community's dedication to supporting survivors and promoting education on this critical issue ; and

**WHEREAS**, wearing denim on this day sends a powerful message that there is no excuse for sexual violence and that clothing never implies consent;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that we, the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2026 as

**DENIM DAY**

**ADOPTED** this 14th day of April 2026



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Andria Herr, Chairman  
Seminole County Board of County Commissioners