

**PROCLAMATION
OF THE
SEMINOLE COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAIMING AUGUST 12, 2024 AS
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS BABE RUTH LEAGUE
2024 CAL RIPKEN 11U WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP DAY**

WHEREAS, the City of Altamonte Springs has a long-standing tradition of providing baseball opportunities to children throughout Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, Altamonte Springs joined the Babe Ruth Baseball Association in 1994, and then established the Altamonte Baseball Academy in 2015 to provide greater opportunities for children to focus on the core principles of baseball fundamentals and player development; and

WHEREAS, Altamonte Babe Ruth Baseball and the Altamonte Baseball Academy provide baseball services and opportunities to approximately 800 kids each year; and

WHEREAS, the program has seen great success in providing thousands of children with opportunities to play baseball while sending multiple teams to state and national tournaments throughout the years; and

WHEREAS, we are here today to celebrate the incredible accomplishment of the Altamonte Baseball Academy 11U All-Star team who represented Altamonte Springs in the 2024 Cal Ripken 11U World Series for the third consecutive year and made history by securing Altamonte's first World Series title in 40 years, and its only Babe Ruth Championship; and

WHEREAS, the team showcased exceptional skill and perseverance throughout their journey to the Cal Ripken 11U World Series. After a tough 4-5 loss to last year's World Series Champions, Florence, AL, on Opening Day, the team rebounded impressively, winning every game that followed. Their remarkable journey included a 6-4 victory over West Raleigh, NC in the quarterfinals and an 11-1 win against Hendersonville, TN in the semifinals. In a thrilling championship rematch, the 11U All-Stars overcame Florence, AL, with an 8-3 win, securing Altamonte's first World Series championship title in 40 years. The 11U All-Stars ended the season with a stellar 20-1 record, outscoring opponents 206-29; and

WHEREAS, the young athletes and coaches of the Altamonte Baseball Academy 11U All Star team, through their unwavering dedication, exceptional teamwork, and relentless perseverance, have become hometown heroes, setting an inspiring example of commitment and passion for the entire community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, do hereby congratulate the 11U Altamonte Baseball Academy All Star Team for their historic victory as the 2024 11U Cal Ripken World Series Champions and designate August 12, 2024 as

**Altamonte Springs Babe Ruth League 2024 Cal Ripken 11U World Series
Championship Day**

ADOPTED this 8th day of October 2024



Jay Zembower, Chairman
Seminole County Board of County Commissioners