PROCLAMATION OF THE SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZING UNITED STATES AIR FORCE STAFF SERGEANT TOMMY OLIVERAS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES AND SEMINOLE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the brave men and women of our Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Space Force demonstrate a resolute spirit and unmatched selflessness, reminding us there are few things more American than giving of ourselves to make a difference in the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, throughout our country's history, generations of service members have answered the call to leave their families, their jobs, and put their futures and even their lives on the line to valiantly defend our nation; and

WHEREAS, for many service members, the sacrifice has ended in permanent injury or death, yet their spirit remains in the continued preservation of our freedoms and the promise of liberty; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 30,000 living veterans in Seminole County who served our Nation in times of peace and war. Through their service, they kept America strong; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras enlisted in the United States Air Force on Active Duty in April 1986 and separated out of the Air Force in October 1994. He was an Electronic Warfare Technician, completing multiple deployments with the 1st Special Operations Wing in support of Operation Just Cause, Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, and with the 352nd Special Operations Wing in support of Operation Provide Comfort I,II,III, Operation Provide Promise, and Operation Deny Flight. During his service, Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras received the John Levitow Award as the top leader of his class. He was also the recipient of the Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal, and Joint Meritorious Unit Award with 2 oak-leaf clusters and Southwest Asia Service Medal with 3 bronze stars, among 13 others medals and ribbons; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras moved to Seminole County in 1994 and has been a resident since. He began working as Senior Team Lead for Seminole County's Office of Information Technology in September 2000. He is currently the Telecommunications Division Manager in the Office of Emergency Management. Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras has served as a board memeber as past president of the Central Florida Board of Certified Public Managers and is currently Vice Chairman of the Regional Domestic Security Task Force V (RDSTF-V) and the Chairman of the Orlando Urban Area Security Initiative.

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras, has brought great credit and distinction upon himself, the United States of America, the United States Air Force, and Seminole County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, express our gratitude, admiration, and respect for Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras, for his outstanding service to the United States Air Force and residents of Seminole County.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that this Proclamation is presented to Staff Sergeant Tommy Oliveras, along with our sincere congratulations and recognition as Seminole County's

"Veteran of the Month"

ADOPTED this 25th day of March 2025.

Jay Zembower, Chairman Seminole County Board of County Commissioners