

**PROCLAMATION
OF THE
SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAIMING MARCH 9 - 15, 2025 AS
NATIONAL MS AWARENESS WEEK
IN SEMINOLE COUNTY, FL**

WHEREAS, the second full week in March is MS Awareness Week throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, March 9-15 is MS Awareness Week and a time to drive awareness of Multiple Sclerosis to achieve our vision of a world free of MS; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the National MS Society released the findings of a prevalence study that found that nearly one million people in the US live with MS. That's twice as many as we originally thought and it means you very likely know someone living with the disease, or someone who is caring for someone living with MS; and

WHEREAS, people with MS can better manage their disease when they have the support and understanding of the people around them— when their support networks, from doctors to employers to family members, have a better idea of what people with MS experience every day; and

WHEREAS, the National MS Society is a movement by and for all people affected by multiple sclerosis. We embrace and are committed to bringing our entire MS community together, representative of all the various dimensions of diversity, so that everyone feels at home and supported by their National MS Society; and

WHEREAS, the Society paved the way for every effective MS treatment available today, including the first therapies for primary progressive and pediatric MS; and we've achieved more advances in MS than have been achieved for any other neurological condition. We continue to lead the way for discoveries in neurological diseases; and

WHEREAS, Our progress is accelerating. We've made more progress in the last five years than the 70 that preceded it, changing all aspects of life for people affected by MS; and

WHEREAS, MS is a complex disease that requires many solutions. The National MS Society helps people piece it all together so they can live their best lives; and

WHEREAS, To reach a world free of MS it will take all of us—our time, our energy, our resources. Together is the only way forward.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, proclaim the week of March 9 - 15, 2025 as

National MS Awareness Week

ADOPTED this 11th day of March, 2025.



Jay Zembower, Chairman
Seminole County, Board of County Commissioners