PROCLAMATION

OF THE SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZING UNITED STATES AIR FORCE SENIOR MASTER SERGEANT KATHRYN LEE-HUNT FOR HER 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, Senior Master Sergeant Kathryn Lee-Hunt enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1980, and served honorably until her retirement in 2000. She was deployed to Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Desert Storm, where she earned the Southwest Asia Service Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, and the Kosovo Campaign Medal, amongst others; and

WHEREAS, after her retirement, Senior Master Sergeant Kathryn Lee-Hunt returned to Sanford where she was born and raised and now serves the Veterans of Seminole County as the staff advisor for the United Assistance for Veterans (UAV), a student veteran group with Seminole State College. She has also worked with Pet Rescue by Judy, and organized a veteran suicide awareness walk to remind us that an average of 22 veterans commit suicide each day. She was a generous contributor to the success of the 2024 Seminole County Veterans Stand Down, and remains an advocate for the Seminole County Veteran Services Office; and

WHEREAS, Senior Master Sergeant Kathryn Lee-Hunt, has brought great credit and distinction upon herself, 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 Senior Master Sergeant Kathryn Lee-Hunt, for her outstanding service to the United States Air Force and residents of Seminole County.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that this Proclamation is presented to Senior Master Sergeant Kathryn Lee-Hunt, along with our sincere congratulations and recognition as Seminole County's

"Veteran of the Month"

ADOPTED this 25th day of February 2025.



Jay Zembower, Chairman Seminole County Board of County Commissioners