PROCLAMATION

of the

SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, all children deserve to grow up in a safe and nurturing environment to ensure they reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, safe and healthy childhoods help produce confident and successful adults; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect often occur when people find themselves in stressful situations without knowing how to access community resources and not knowing how to cope; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure that every family has the support that they need to raise their children in a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, no one person can do everything, but everyone can do something and together we can create change for the better; and

WHEREAS, Seminole County organizations work together to increase public awareness of the need to assure the health, safety and well-being of our children; and

WHEREAS, each year Seminole County Board of County Commissioners and the Seminole County Sheriff's Office stand with Kids House of Seminole and Embrace Families proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, wearing blue or displaying pinwheels in April will serve as a positive reminder that together we can prevent child abuse and keep children safe.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida that we do hereby proclaim April, 2023, as:

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

ADOPTED this 28th day of March 2023

Amy Lockhart, Chairman

Seminole County, Board of County Commissioners