

**PROCLAMATION  
OF THE SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZING  
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS LANCE CORPORAL BRADLEY WILLIAM SOKOLY  
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**, Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served on active duty from 1983 to 1987. He received awards including the Combat Service Support Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Rifle Expert Badge, and the Explosive Drivers School Certificate; and

**WHEREAS**, Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly performed duties as a Heavy Vehicle Operator and became the lead explosives driver in support of the M109-155 Self Propelled Howitzer. He was the designated individual to carry, protect, and train with the rocket assisted projectile that was nuclear capable; and

**WHEREAS**, Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly while enlisted, joined the Combat Center Rodeo Team, and competed in professional bull riding with other Marine Corps teams in sanctioned Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association events, winning the Reserve championship twice; and

**WHEREAS**, Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly moved to Seminole County in 1998. He has been a member of the American Legion Post 243 since 2020 and the Post Commander since June 2023. He is also the past Senior Vice Commandant of Detachment 64 Marine Corps League, a member of the Military Order of the Devil Dog Sgt G.B. Reasner Pound 124, and the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Association Central Florida Chapter; and

**WHEREAS**, Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly has brought great credit and distinction upon himself, the United States of America, the United States Marine Corps, 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 Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly, for his outstanding service to the United States Marine Corps and residents of Seminole County.

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED** that this Proclamation is presented to Lance Corporal Bradley William Sokoly, along with our sincere congratulations and recognition as Seminole County's

**“Veteran of the Month”**

ADOPTED this 14th day of November 2023.



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Amy Lockhart, Chairman Seminole  
County Board of County Commissioners