BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA **RESOLUTION 2022 –** WHEREAS, Hernando County, Florida, has been a leader in recognizing and promoting mediation as an alternative to litigation; and WHEREAS, administrative agencies, courts, and court-sponsored programs use mediation to effectively and efficiently resolve disputes; and **WHEREAS**, mediation is a voluntary, non-adversarial, and informal method of conflict resolution that empowers individuals and businesses to develop solutions to conflicts which are mutually agreeable and tailored to their particular needs; and **WHEREAS**, mediation is taught and practiced in many of our schools not only as a means of resolving individual disputes, but also as a means of achieving a more peaceful society; and WHEREAS, community-based mediation programs strengthen relationships among Hernando County's citizens by assisting in the resolution of neighborhood and community conflicts. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:** SECTION 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim October 16 - 22, 2022 as **MEDIATION WEEK** in Hernando County. **SECTION 2.** The Board of County Commissioners urge all citizens to join in recognizing the significant contributions of peaceful conflict resolvers and to extend greetings and best wishes to all observing MEDIATION WEEK. **ADOPTED** in Regular Session this 11th day of October 2022, A.D. **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA Attest: Steve Champion Douglas A. Chorvat, Jr. Clerk of Circuit Court & Comptroller Chairman Wavne Dukes John Allocco Commissioner Vice Chairman Jeff Holcomb Elizabeth Narverud Commissioner Second Vice Chairman