

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION 2025 –**

**WHEREAS**, autism can affect anyone regardless of race, religion, socio-economic status, or geography; and

**WHEREAS**, the prevalence of autism in the United States is 1 in 68 children are affected; and

**WHEREAS**, autism affects more than 3 million people in the United States, and more than 55,000 children and adults with autism are receiving services; and

**WHEREAS**, children and adults with autism are our family members, friends, neighbors, and coworkers; and

**WHEREAS**, each individual with autism benefits from specialized services and community support to ensure their health and safety and full participation in community life; and

**WHEREAS**, the aim for **AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH** is to inform the general public about both the potential and needs of people with autism and to stress the importance of early diagnosis and early intervention, as well as the importance of providing appropriate support that continues through adulthood.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim April 2025 as **AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH** in Hernando County.

**SECTION 2.** The Board of County Commissioners urges citizens to raise public awareness, acceptance and inclusion of those with Autism and the myriads of issues surrounding the disorder, as well as to increase knowledge of the programs that have been and are being developed to support individuals with Autism and their families.

**ADOPTED** in Regular Session this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025, A.D.

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Attest:

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Douglas A. Chorvat, Jr.  
Clerk of Circuit Court & Comptroller

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Chairman

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