BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA **RESOLUTION 2023 -**WHEREAS, chronic kidney disease (CKD) is the progressive, gradual loss of kidney function that results in a decrease in the ability of the kidneys to remove waste from the body; and **WHEREAS**, it is estimated that thirty-seven million adults in the United States have CKD, and of that number approximately ninety percent remain undiagnosed; and **WHEREAS**, without diagnosis and treatment to slow its progression, CKD can progress to end-stage renal failure, which is fatal unless the patient receives dialysis or a kidney transplant; and WHEREAS, CKD is associated with more severe COVID-19 infections, and COVID-19 may cause acute kidney damage that can lead to dialysis or even death; and **WHEREAS**, regular screening and early detection can prevent the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, and it is essential that awareness of kidney disease and the importance of prevention and early detection be raised; and WHEREAS, kidney disease awareness empowers patients and families to seek diagnosis, support, and appropriate treatment. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1.** The Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim March 2023 as KIDNEY DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH in Hernando County. **SECTION 2.** The Board of County Commissioners encourages all citizens to increase education and awareness about kidney health. **ADOPTED** in Regular Session this 14th day of March 2023, A.D. **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA Attest: Douglas A. Chorvat, Jr. John Allocco Chairman Clerk of Circuit Court & Comptroller Elizabeth Narverud Jerry Campbell Commissioner Vice Chairman **Brian Hawkins Steve Champion** Second Vice Chairman Commissioner