

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

RESOLUTION 2024 –

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) provides the nation’s foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training, which helps young people be “Prepared For Life.” The Scouting organization is composed of more than 1 million youth members between the ages of 5 and 21 and more than 628,000 volunteers in local councils throughout the United States and its territories; and

WHEREAS, since its inception in 1910, more than 130 million young men and women have participated in the Boy Scouts of America’s youth programs. More than 35 million adult volunteers have helped carry out the Boy Scouts of America’s mission; and

WHEREAS, scouting has helped mold the future leaders of this country by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun; and

WHEREAS, scouting, with programs for young men and women, helps meet these six essential needs of the young people growing up in our society: mentoring, lifelong learning, faith traditions, serving others, healthy living and building character; and

WHEREAS, within the Withlacoochee District, Hernando, Citrus and Sumter County, there are 752 scouts within the program, 176 girls and 576 boys. There are currently 36 units, including Hernando County Explorer Programs that specialize in Law Enforcement and Aviation Explorations. In 2023, Hernando County had 25 Eagle Scouts and over 3000 hours of volunteer work. Without the help of the 288 registered adult leaders who volunteer their time and talents to the Boy Scout of America Program, this program would not be possible.

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

SECTION 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim February 2024 as **BOY SCOUT MONTH** in Hernando County.

SECTION 2. The Board of County Commissioners urges all citizens and residents to give the Boy Scouts of America their unstinted support, moral and material, in order that they may be able to continue with their youth citizenship training programs.

ADOPTED in Regular Session this 13th day of February 2024, A.D.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Attest:

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