A Resolution of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida, Proclaiming the week of November 12-16, 2018, as "National School Psychology Awareness Week" for the School District of Volusia County

KNOW ALL CITIZENS BY THESE PRESENT that the Volusia County School Board, Volusia County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereby recognizes the week of November 12 - 16, 2018 as National School Psychology Awareness Week.

WHEREAS, all children and youth learn best when they are healthy, supported, and receive an education that helps to develop their sense of belonging to a team at home and at school; and

WHEREAS, schools can more effectively ensure that all students are able to learn and invested in their learning when they meet the needs of the whole child and encourage and provide opportunities to be a part of a team; and

WHEREAS, children's mental health is directly linked to their learning and development, and the learning environment provides an optimal context to promote good mental health; and

WHEREAS, sound psychological principles are integral to instruction and learning, social and emotional development, prevention, early intervention and school safety, and supporting culturally diverse student populations; and

WHEREAS, school psychology has over 60 years of well established, widely recognized and highly effective practice and standards that are clearly articulated in National Association of School Psychologist's Model for Comprehensive and Integrated School Psychology Services; and

WHEREAS, school psychologists are specially trained to deliver a continuum of mental health services and academic supports that lower barriers to teaching and learning; and

WHEREAS, school psychologists help children to become members of teams that nurture their individual strengths across both personal and academic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, school psychologists are trained to assess student and school-based barriers to learning as well as individual strengths, utilize data-based decision-making, implement research-driven prevention and intervention strategies, and evaluate outcomes and improve accountability; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Volusia County should recognize the vital role that school psychologists play in the personal and academic development of our district's children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY. FLORIDA, IN OFFICIAL SESSION, DULY ASSEMBLED IN DELAND, FLORIDA, THIS 7th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2018, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the School Board of Volusia County, Florida, on behalf of all students and personnel, does hereby resolve to recognize the week of November 12 - 16, 2018, as "National School Psychology Awareness Week" for Volusia County Schools; and

Section 2. That the School Board of Volusia County recognizes and appreciates the significant contributions made by School Psychologists; and

Section 3. That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida, distributed to all public schools and appropriate governmental bodies in Volusia County, Florida.

> PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2018 THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Dr. John Hill, Vice Chairman

Mrs. Melody Johnson

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Mr.James T. Russell, Superintendent

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