

*A Resolution of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida,  
Proclaiming May 6, 2019, as  
"Children's Mental Health Awareness Day" 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 May 6, 2019, as "Children's Mental Health Awareness Day."

**WHEREAS**, addressing the complex mental health needs for children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that youth, their families, and communities learn about warning signs of mental health disorders and where to obtain necessary assistance and services; and

**WHEREAS**, open dialogue is an essential component to fight stigma and encourage those who might benefit from services to seek help; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for access to comprehensive services that are family-driven, youth guided, culturally and linguistically competent, and community based; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate that a day should be set apart each year to recognize the importance of our children's mental health and well-being and our responsibility to promote them; and

**WHEREAS**, all citizens, agencies, and organizations interested in advancing innovative strategies addressing children's behavioral health including suicide prevention can unite to promote effective services;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN OFFICIAL SESSION, DULY ASSEMBLED IN DELAND, FLORIDA, THIS 30<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That the School Board of Volusia County, Florida, on behalf of all students and personnel, does hereby resolve to recognize May 6, 2019, as "Children's Mental Health Awareness Day" for Volusia County Schools;

Section 2. That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida, and distributed to all public schools and appropriate governmental bodies in Volusia County, Florida.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA



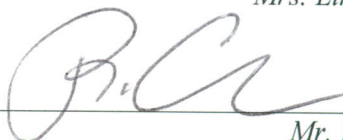
Mr. Carl G. Persis, Chairman



Mrs. Ida D. Wright, Vice Chairman



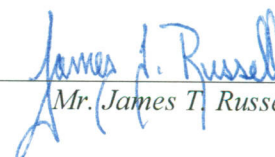
Mrs. Linda Cuthbert



Mr. Ruben Colón



Ms. Jamie M. Haynes



Mr. James T. Russell, Superintendent