



## **Proclamation**

*Board of County Commissioners  
Manatee County, Florida*

**WHEREAS**, Americans are the victims of 20 million crimes each year affecting individuals and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, years of investment in crime victims' rights and services have developed a system of victim response that can help victims recover from crime; and

**WHEREAS**, reaching and serving all victims of crime is essential to supporting thriving communities, because those who receive holistic services and support are more likely to remain invested in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, dedicated victim service providers are working every day to meet the needs of crime victims, yet there are still too many victims without meaningful access to rights and services; and

**WHEREAS**, we must make a dedicated effort to expand the circle of those prepared to respond to victims and link them to the resources that can help them recover; and

**WHEREAS**, National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime, especially those who are challenging to reach or serve, are afforded their rights and receive a trauma response; and

**WHEREAS**, Manatee Victim Rights Council is dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders, working for justice for all victims and survivors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that April 8-14, 2018, shall be known, designated, and set aside as

### **CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS WEEK**

in Manatee County, Florida.

**ADOPTED** with a quorum present and voting this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**



*Priscilla Trace, Chairman*

**ATTEST:** *Angelina Colonnese*  
*Clerk of the Circuit Court*



April 10, 2018 - Regular Meeting  
Agenda Item #7

Subject

Crime Victim Rights Week - April 8-14, 2018

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Board of County Commissioners

Action Requested

Adopt Proclamation designating April 8-14, 2018, as "Crime Victim Rights Week" in Manatee County, Florida.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Background Discussion

National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime, especially those who are challenging to reach or serve, are afforded their rights and receive a trauma response.

County Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Explanation of Other

Reviewing Attorney

N/A

Instructions to Board Records

None.

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A

Manatee County Government Administrative Center  
First Floor, Commission Chambers  
9:00 a.m. - April 10, 2018

Attachment: [Crime Victim Rights Week Proclamation.pdf](#)