



Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida

WHEREAS, Wildlife Inc. is Manatee County's only licensed native bird, mammal, and reptile wildlife rehabilitation facility and has been saving wildlife for more than three decades in the small Bradenton Beach residence of the licensed rehabilitator; and

WHEREAS, this organization rescues and houses over 3,000 animals each year, including unwanted exotic pets such as African Tortoises, Burmese Pythons, Bearded Dragons, Parrots, and even Prairie Dogs; and

WHEREAS, through only private donations and grants, Wildlife Inc. successfully rehabilitates and returns to the wild over 70 percent of the animals it receives; and

WHEREAS, prior to COVID-19, with education being an important part of this organization, presentations were made with non-releasable birds to schools, churches, clubs, and other non-profits, and a mobile display booth exhibited these birds at events through Florida's winter season; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that Wildlife Inc reaches 100,000 children and adults, yearly, through an on-line presence, the presentations and mobile booth, and a small remote public location where more than 20,000 visitors can see crocodiles, large birds, and mammals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that March 3, 2021, shall be known, designated, and set aside as

WILDLIFE INC. DAY

in Manatee County, Florida.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 23rd day of February 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA


Vanessa Baugh, Chairperson

ATTEST: Angelina Colonnese
Clerk of the Circuit Court





**Board of County Commissioners
February 23, 2021 – Regular Meeting**

SUBJECT

ADOPTION AND PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MARCH 3, 2021, AS WILDLIFE INC. DAY IN MANATEE COUNTY

Category

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Board of County Commissioners

Action Requested

Adopt Proclamation designating March 3, 2021, as "Wildlife Inc. Day" in Manatee County, Florida.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Background Discussion

March 3, 2021, has been designated as World Wildlife Day.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Other (if applicable)

Reviewing Attorney

Instructions to Board Records

None

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A



Wildlife Inc Day

MARCH 3RD

Celebrating years of saving wildlife