



Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida

WHEREAS, February 22 through February 28, 2021, is National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, a national campaign organized by National Eating Disorder Association (NEDA) to shine a spotlight on eating disorders by educating the public, spreading a message of hope, and putting lifesaving resources into the hands of those in need; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, 20 million women and 10 million men will suffer from an eating disorder at some point in their lives; and

WHEREAS, eating disorders are serious but treatable mental and physical illnesses that can affect people of all genders, ages, races, religions, ethnicities, sexual orientations, body shapes, and weights; and

WHEREAS, eating disorders have the second highest mortality rate of all mental health disorders, surpassed only by opioid addiction; and

WHEREAS, eating disorders are widely misunderstood illnesses and support options are often inaccessible; only about one third of people ever receive treatment for their eating disorder; and, as a result, too many people are left feeling helpless, hopeless, and frightened.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that February 22 through 28, 2021, shall be known, designated, and set aside as

NATIONAL EATING DISORDER AWARENESS WEEK

in Manatee County, Florida.

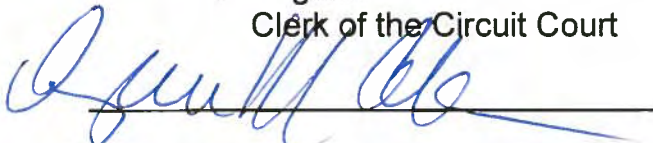
ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 23rd day of February 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA


Vanessa Baugh, Chairperson

ATTEST: Angelina Colonnese
Clerk of the Circuit Court







Adopted in Open Session 2/23/21
Manatee County
Board of County Commissioners

Board of County Commissioners February 23, 2021 – Regular Meeting

SUBJECT

ADOPTION AND PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING FEBRUARY 22 THROUGH 28, 2021, AS NATIONAL EATING DISORDER AWARENESS WEEK IN MANATEE COUNTY

Category

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Board of County Commissioners

Action Requested

Adopt Proclamation designating February 22 – 28, 2021 as “National Eating Disorder Awareness Week” in Manatee County, Florida.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Florida Statute 125

Background Discussion

In the United States, 20 million women and 10 million men will suffer from an eating disorder at some point in their lives. Eating disorders are serious but treatable mental and physical illnesses that can affect people of all genders, ages, races, religions, ethnicities, sexual orientations, body shapes, and weights. Eating disorders include Anorexia Nervosa, Bulimia Nervosa, Binge Eating Disorder, Other Specified Feeding or Eating Disorder, Avoidant/Restrictive Food Intake Disorder, and Pica.

Eating disorders are widely misunderstood illnesses and support options are often inaccessible. Only about one third of people ever receive treatment for their eating disorder. As a result, too many people are left feeling helpless, hopeless, and frightened. Eating disorders have the second highest mortality rate, with nearly one person dying every hour as a direct result of their eating disorder. Through programs and services, the National Eating Disorder Association

(NEDA) raises awareness, builds communities of support and recovery, funds research, and puts life-saving resources into the hands of those in need.

National Eating Disorder Awareness Week is February 22 – February 28, 2021. The goal of this annual national campaign is to shine the spotlight on eating disorders by educating the public, spreading a message of hope, and putting resources into the hands of those in need.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Other (if applicable)

Reviewing Attorney

Instructions to Board Records

Please send a copy of the Proclamation to danielle.geyer@mymanatee.org. **Distributed 2/24/21, RT**

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A