



Board of County Commissioners
October 12, 2021 – Regular Meeting

SUBJECT

ADOPTION AND PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE HIDDEN HEROES, OUR MILITARY AND VETERAN CAREGIVERS, IN MANATEE COUNTY

Category

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Board of County Commissioners

Action Requested

Adopt Proclamation recognizing the Hidden Heroes, our Military and Veteran Caregivers, in Manatee County, Florida.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Background Discussion

The series of wars and conflicts in which our nation has been engaged over time, since World War II, has resulted in 5.5 million military and veteran caregivers who are parents, spouses, siblings, and friends caring for those wounded, ill, or injured who have served our nation.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

None

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A



Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida

WHEREAS, the series of wars and conflicts in which our nation has been engaged over time, since World War II, has resulted in 5.5 million military and veteran caregivers who are parents, spouses, siblings, and friends caring for those wounded, ill, or injured who have served our nation; and

WHEREAS, the daily tasks of these military and veteran caregivers can include bathing, feeding, dressing, and caring for the grievous injuries of wounded warriors, administering medications, providing emotional support, caring for the family and the home, and working outside the home to earn essential income; and

WHEREAS, the nation provides multi-faceted support to our wounded, ill, and injured veterans and service members through public, private, and philanthropic resources, but their caregivers receive little support or acknowledgement; and

WHEREAS, most military and veteran caregivers consider the challenging work they do as simply carrying out their civic and patriotic duty, without realizing they are, in fact, caregivers, and do not identify themselves as such; and

WHEREAS, an alarming number of military and veteran caregivers, according to research, are suffering numerous debilitating mental, physical, and emotional effects as a result of their caregiving duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, recognizes and supports the **Hidden Heroes** who are serving the vital role of **Military and Veteran Caregivers** in our community.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 12th day of October 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Vanessa Baugh, Chairperson

ATTEST: Angelina Coloneso
Clerk of the Circuit Court
