Before the Board of County Commissioners Alartín County, Florida

A Proclamation

Recognizing National Disability Employment Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida

Whereas,	October 2025 marks the 80th anniversary of National Disability Employment Awareness
	Month, with a purpose of educating about disability employment issues and celebrating
	the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities; and

the history of National Disability Employment Awareness Month dates back to 1945 when Congress enacted a law declaring the first week in October each year as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week; and

in 1962, the word "physically" was removed to acknowledge individuals with all types of disabilities, and in 1988, Congress expanded the week to a month and changed the name to National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and

Whereas, workplaces welcoming of the talents of everyone, including people with disabilities, are a critical part of efforts to build an inclusive community and a strong economy; and

this year's official theme is "Celebrating Value and Talent," reinforcing the contributions people with disabilities add to our workplaces and communities, and in the spirit of this theme, Martin County reaffirms its commitment to an inclusive community that increases access and opportunities for all, including individuals with disabilities.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that October 2025 is National Disability Employment Awareness Month in Martin County. Further, the Board urges all citizens to help bring together businesses and partners to break down the barriers faced by individuals with disabilities who are working or seeking employment.

Presented this Twenty-first Day of October 2025

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