

Before the Board of County Commissioners
Martin County, Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring Prematurity Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida

- Whereas, moms and babies face serious health risks, and March of Dimes fights for their health through research, education, advocacy and programs; and
- Whereas, March of Dimes has developed a collaborative model to study and prevent preterm birth through groundbreaking research at five prematurity research centers; and
- Whereas, March of Dimes is committed to mobilizing the nation by amplifying the voices of pregnant people and families; and
- Whereas, 96 babies were born preterm in Martin County in 2021, representing a preterm birth rate of 7.6%, with Florida receiving a grade of D on the 2022 March of Dimes Report Card; and
- Whereas, in Florida, March of Dimes has worked extensively to improve maternal and infant health, including advocating for policies that improve health outcomes; and
- Whereas, March of Dimes looks forward to partnering with the Martin County Board of County Commissioners in response to the continued maternal and infant health crisis of prematurity.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that November 2023 is declared Prematurity Awareness Month and that November 17, 2023 is recognized as World Prematurity Day in Martin County, Florida.

Presented this Twenty-first Day of November 2023

ATTEST:

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