Before the Board of County Commissioners Martin County, Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring Oceans Month in Martin County, Florida

| Whereas, | World Oceans Day, celebrated on June 8, gives us the chance to reflect on the | |
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| | importance of our ocean and what we must do to protect it; and | |

Whereas, the ocean, our planet's life support system, provides 95 percent of the living space here on Earth and holds 98 percent of the water on our planet; and

Whereas, the ocean feeds billions of people around the world, drives our climate, absorbs heat and carbon dioxide and produces 70 percent of the oxygen we breathe; and

Thereas, ocean environments around the world are collapsing, primarily due to overfishing, pollution and unsustainable coastal development; and

Whereas, the Florida Oceanographic Society encourages all residents to do what they can, individually and collectively, to stop the pollution and destruction of our ocean and coastal waters.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that June 2019 is Oceans Month in Martin County, Florida. Further, the board commends organizations such as the Florida Oceanographic Society for their continuing diligence in providing education, research and conservation to secure the future of our world's ocean.

Adopted this Fourth Day of June 2019

| ATTEST: | BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS |
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