

**Before the Board of County Commissioners
Martin County, Florida**

A Proclamation

Declaring Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida

Whereas, cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that affects more than 1,600 children and adults in Florida, more than 30,000 children and adults in the United States, and 70,000 children and adults worldwide; and

Whereas, more than 10 million Americans are symptomless carriers of the cystic fibrosis gene, and the disease occurs in approximately one of every 3,500 live births in the United States; and

Whereas, the median age of survival for a person with cystic fibrosis is 41 years, and the number of adults with cystic fibrosis has steadily grown, with approximately 900 new cases of the disease diagnosed each year; and

Whereas, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will hold its annual Great Strides Walk on May 8, 2020 at Indian RiverSide Park in Jensen Beach. Each year, this event brings together families, friends and co-workers to raise money for research and to find a cure for this life-threatening, genetic disease that affects the lungs and digestive system.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that May 2020 is Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida. Further, the board encourages participation in the Great Strides Walk to support the advancement of life-saving cystic fibrosis research, education and care.

Presented this Fifth Day of May 2020

ATTEST:

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