

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

**A Proclamation**

**Recognizing Family Court Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida**

**Whereas,** the mission at One Mom’s Battle (OMB) and the Family Court Awareness Month Committee (FCAMC) is to increase awareness on the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety and acts in the best interest of children; and

**Whereas,** the mission at the FCAMC is to increase awareness on the importance of education and training on domestic violence, childhood trauma and post separation abuse for all professionals working within the family court system; and

**Whereas,** the mission at the FCAMC is to educate judges and other family court professionals on the empirical data and research that is currently available. Such research is a critical component to making decisions that are truly in the best interest of children. This research includes The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study (CDC-Kaiser Permanente), Saunder’s Study (US Department of Justice), The Meier Study: Child Custody Outcomes in Cases Involving Abuse Allegations, and the Santa Clara Law Study (Confronting the Challenge of High-Conflict Personality in Family Court); and

**Whereas,** the mission at the FCAMC is fueled by the desire for awareness and change in the family court system while honoring the 800(+) children who have been murdered by separating or divorcing parents.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that November 2021 is Family Court Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida. Further, the Board recognizes the important work of educating the public on the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety.

**Presented this Second Day of November 2021**

ATTEST:

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