

# Charlotte County Florida



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, May is recognized as National Foster Care Month to honor the contributions of foster parents, volunteers, child welfare professionals and others who work to ensure the safety and well-being of children in foster care; and

**WHEREAS**, in Southwest Florida, there are over 1,400 children in foster care, and 540 children removed in our 5-county area including 56 children removed from their homes in Charlotte County in 2024 alone; and

**WHEREAS**, Charlotte County acknowledges the critical role of faith-based organizations in supporting and strengthening families through their services, including foster care programs and family support initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, KIDS Southwest Florida provides compassionate care and support to children and families in our community, offering foster care services, training for foster parents, and advocacy for children who are in need of a loving and nurturing environment; and

**WHEREAS**, National Foster Care Awareness Month is an opportunity for all members of our community to recognize the sacrifices and dedication of foster families, raise awareness of the challenges faced by children in foster care, and take steps to support the work of foster care organization

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the month of May 2025, shall be known in all of Charlotte County as

### *National Foster Care Month*

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 13th day of May 2025

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph M. Tiseo, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Roger D. Eaton, Clerk of Circuit  
Court and Ex-Officio Clerk to the  
Board of County Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Hector Flores, County Administrator