

PROCLAMATION

- **HEREAS*, in 1993 James (Jimi) Smith Feliciano moved to Charlotte County, and after growing up on construction jobsites decided to join the building industry and in 2011 became a Florida Certified General Contractor and opened AJF Construction; and
- **HEREAS**, in 2018, Jimi joined the CDBIA Board of Directors. In 2022, he moved up the ladder to becoming Treasurer, then Vice President; and
- **HEREAS*, in 2024, Jimi was elected to be the CDBIA President, and has led our association with a focus on family, an inclusiveness to our community, a drive to educate neighbors on hiring licensed contractors and a focus on promoting great careers in construction to our youth; and
- **HEREAS*, Jimi focused on building our next generation of leaders, representing us locally as Chair of the Building Industry Oversight Committee and attending meetings with the Florida Home Builders Association; and
- **HEREAS**, our community was hit with Hurricane Debby, Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton, Jimi dedicated his time to helping many people with the rebuild while leading our industry to heal the bruises left by these storms; and
- **HEREAS, Jimi's leadership will be remembered as leading from his heart, caring about our industry, our community because "It Takes a Village".
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that December 4, 2024, shall be known in all of Charlotte County as

Jimi Smith Feliciano Day

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 12th day of November 2024

	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA
ATTEST:	By William G. Truex, Chairman
Roger D. Eaton, Clerk of Circuit Court and Ex-Officio Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
	Hector Flores, County Administrator