

DECLARATION

OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR 4-H WEEK

WHEREAS, 4-H is America's largest youth development organization, which has empowered over six million young people across the U.S. with the skills to lead for a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, 4-H's national network of volunteers and dedicated professionals provide caring and supportive mentoring to all 4-H'ers, helping them to grow into true leaders, entrepreneurs, and visionaries; and

WHEREAS, 4-H brings opportunities to youth from all backgrounds through 4-H clubs, special interest projects, individual and family learning, mentoring, camping, and school enrichment; and

WHEREAS, 4-H is delivered by the University of Florida IFAS Extension in partnership with Clay County Government to provide experiences where young people learn by doing hands-on projects in areas including health, science, agriculture, and citizenship; and

WHEREAS, 4-H helps more than 10,000 youth in Clay County to become confident, independent, resilient, and compassionate leaders each year; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 National 4-H Week celebrates the empowering experiences that 4-H provides which create confidence and foster a sense of real belonging for kids everywhere.

Therefore, the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, does hereby declare October 1-7, 2023, as

4-H WEEK IN CLAY COUNTY

and in so doing, encourages all residents to recognize 4-H for the significant impact it has made, and continues to make, by empowering youth with the skills they need to lead for a lifetime.