

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 14 THROUGH 21, 2018 AS FARM-CITY WEEK

WHEREAS, Florida's farmers and ranchers help feed the world by producing a bounty of nutritious foods. To do this, they rely on essential partnerships with urban and suburban communities to supply, sell, and deliver finished products to consumers across Florida and around the globe; and

WHEREAS, rural and urban communities working together have built our nation's rich agricultural resources so that they contribute to the health and well-being of our country and the strength of our economy; and

WHEREAS, during National Farm-City Week, we recognize the importance of this cooperative network. Agriculture employs more than two million workers, including farmers and ranchers, shippers, processors, marketers, retailers, inspectors, and others who contribute an annual impact of \$127 billion to Florida's economy; and

WHEREAS, as they perform their daily work, farmers and ranchers preserve freshwater recharge areas, wildlife habitat and greenspace. Consumers help farm families maintain their superior natural resource conservation practices by purchasing Florida agricultural products; and

WHEREAS, Farm-City Week activities celebrate the mutually beneficial relationships that support the quality of life we all enjoy. This week, as we gather with family and friends around the Thanksgiving table, we count these relationships among our many blessings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA that November 14-21, 2018 be designated as **FARM-CITY WEEK** and calls upon all citizens to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of all those who, working together, produce and supply our community, our nation, and the world with an abundance of agricultural products.

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA

Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman

Bob Solari, Vice Chairman

Susan Adams

Joseph E. Flescher

Tim Zorc