PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THE DAY OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2017, AS FLORIDA MISSING CHILDREN'S DAY

WHEREAS, Florida's children are our greatest assets; and,

WHEREAS, approximately 35,000 children are reported missing annually in the State of Florida; and,

WHEREAS, approximately 10,000 adults are reported missing annually in the State of Florida; and,

WHEREAS, Florida's children rely on public awareness and law enforcement training to ensure their safety; and

WHEREAS, Florida recognizes the need for continued awareness to help reduce the incidents of missing children; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida remains diligent in our commitment to safeguard Florida's most vulnerable citizens, and will strive to improve our response methods and maximize our resources to bring our missing children home; and

WHEREAS, Florida has established an Advisory Board to the Missing Endangered Persons Information Clearinghouse, which consists of law enforcement officials, victim parents, government agencies, missing children non-profit organizations, and members of the business community with interest in missing children issues; and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Florida take heroic measures to protect our children, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, Florida is proud to recognize the law enforcement community and countless volunteers who spend their time, energy, and resources to find Florida's missing children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA that the 11th day of September, 2017, be designated as Florida Missing Children's Day in Indian River County.

Adopted this 15th day of August, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA

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