

# *Proclamation*

## **RECOGNIZING MAY 4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2025 AS NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES WEEK**

*Whereas*, In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed Proclamation 5187 creating "National Correctional Officers Week". In 1996, the U.S. Senate officially changed the name to "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week". The first full week in May honors the work of correctional officers and correctional personnel nationwide; and

*Whereas*, Indian River County's staff of Correctional Officers, Nurses, Civilian Correction Assistants, and support staff serve in an increasingly complex and demanding profession. They must simultaneously fill custodial, supervisory and counseling roles. They are responsible for the custody, safety, and well-being of all inmates; and

*Whereas*, in today's profession, Correctional Officers and correctional personnel are well-trained, work under demanding circumstances, and face danger in their daily lives; and

*Whereas*, the work of Correctional Officers and correctional personnel comes with a huge responsibility to maintain public safety as well as to help inmates develop the skills necessary to become productive members of society; and

*Whereas*, Correctional Officers and correctional personnel deserve our show of support, as we utilize this week to honor their hard work, professionalism, dedication and courage throughout the performance of their demanding and often conflicting roles, and efforts to protect public safety.

*Now, Therefore, be it Proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners of Indian River County, Florida*, that we recognize May 4<sup>th</sup> through May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as National Correctional Officers and Employees Week. We thank and applaud our Correctional Officers, Nurses, Civilian Correction Assistants, and all correctional staff for their dedication, professionalism, and service to our community.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

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