

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20070268

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:
Ceremonial Resolution Recognizing Children and Families

2. FUNDING SOURCE:

3. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

4. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Approve

5. Departmental Category: CP 2

6. Meeting Date: 02/27/2007

7. Agenda:
 Consent
 Administrative
 Appeals
 Public
 Walk-On

8. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)
 Statute
 Ordinance
 Admin. Code
 Other

9. Request Initiated:
 Commissioner _____
 Department _____
 Division _____
 By: _____

10. Background:

11. Review for Scheduling:

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P. W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	

12. Commission Action:

Approved
 Deferred
 Denied
 Other



LEE COUNTY
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

**The Board of County Commissioners
RESOLUTION**

- Whereas: The 12th Annual Children's Week "Celebrating Parents and Children" will take place in Tallahassee from March 25, 2007 to April 1, 2007, bringing thousands of parents, children, professionals, community leaders and concerned citizens together to share valuable knowledge and information about children's issues across the state and in our Capital City; and
- Whereas: The purpose of Children's Week is to create a shared vision of the State of Florida's commitment to its children and families and to engage a long-term process to develop and implement strategies for moving the shared vision forward; and does so by encouraging Children's Week activities to occur locally in all of Florida's Counties to strengthen and enrich our families and our communities; and
- Whereas: Children's Week has teamed up with the Association of Early Learning Coalitions, the Florida Department of Health's *Step Up Florida* program, Prevent Child Abuse Florida's *Winds of Change* campaign, and dozens of leading statewide non-profit organizations to expand the network of community involvement and advocacy on a wide array of children and family issues at the local level; and
- Whereas: The Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida, is one of 31 Early Learning Coalitions in the State of Florida legislatively mandated to manage and oversee state and federal-funded early education and care programs in Hendry, Glades, Collier and Lee Counties so that children will have the optimal health, education and care they need to promote early learning so that they can be successful in school and in life; and
- Whereas: Step Up, Florida! is an annual statewide health initiative developed by the Florida Department of Health that promotes the importance of daily physical activity and highlights the variety of physical activity opportunities available for all Florida residents by hosting local events throughout the month of February. Step Up, Florida! activities are coordinated by the local Chronic Disease Health Promotion and Education Coordinators (CDHPE's) in all 67 counties; and
- Whereas: In recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month, Prevent Child Abuse Florida, in partnership with the Ounce of Prevention Fund and the Florida Department of Children and Families, is launching a statewide public awareness and education campaign during April 2007 with the campaign theme, *Winds of Change - Turning Choices into Change*, and is symbolized by the pinwheel, representing this shift or wind of change; and
- Whereas: Multiple local and statewide non-profit organizations representing many different children's issues are participating in the celebration of Children's Week in each county, providing a holistic approach to the well-being of children, and encompassing all issues which impact Florida's children and families; and
- Whereas: Local Children's Week Celebrations in the Months of February through April in Lee County will include DOCS FOR TOTS; CHILDREN'S DAY; GROWING UP WITH BOOKS and CHILDREN'S HANDPRINT ART COLLECTION events throughout Lee County, in partnership with the Lee County Health Department; Lee County Human Services Network; the Early Learning Coalition of SW Florida; United Way; Child Care of SW Florida and all Early Learning Programs, Children and Families in Lee County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida that we do hereby proclaim the months of February through April, 2007, for:

CELEBRATION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Duly Executed this 27th day of February, 2007.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chairman