

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

Blue Sheet No. 20060356

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:

Ceremonial Resolution Recognizing Confederate History Month – Commissioner Albion

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:

4. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY: #3

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5. MEETING DATE:

04-04-2006

6. AGENDA:

CONSENT
 ADMINISTRATIVE
 APPEALS

PUBLIC
 WALK-ON

**7. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE
(SPECIFY)**

STATUTE
 ORDINANCE
 ADMIN.
CODE
 OTHER

8. REQUEST INITIATED:

COMMISSIONER _____
DEPARTMENT County Commission
DIVISION _____

BY: [Signature]

9. BACKGROUND:

10. REVIEW FOR SCHEDULING

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

11. COMMISSION ACTION

Approved
 Deferred
 Denied
 Other



DIVISION OF PUBLIC RESOURCES

PRESENTATION **FORM**

SUBJECT: CONFEDERATE HISTORY MONTH

MEETING DATE: 04-04-06

PRESENTED BY: COMMISSIONER ALBION

ACCEPTED BY: CECIL RAULERSON & THOMAS FYOCK

THANK YOU!



LEE COUNTY
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

The Board of County Commissioners
RESOLUTION

- Whereas:** April is the month in which the Confederate States of America began and ended their four-year struggle for sovereignty and independence; and
- Whereas:** Florida joined the Confederate States of America and contributed more soldiers and sailors than any other state in proportion to its population; and
- Whereas:** Florida State Statute 683.01 (1)(j), sets aside April 26th as a legal holiday to observe and honor those who served in that struggle; and
- Whereas:** Lee County is home to many Confederate Veterans buried here; and
- Whereas:** It is necessary to honor this part of our past to draw from it the courage, wisdom and strength demonstrated by those who lived through that era and endured its hardships so that we may go forward with other Americans in a spirit of brotherhood, unity and reconciliation for a better tomorrow.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida that we do hereby declare and proclaim the month of April as:

Confederate History Month

And April 26th as:

Confederate Memorial Day

In Lee County, Florida and urge all residents of the County to engage in the study of the history of the events between 1861 and 1865 and to solemnly contemplate that time.

Duly Executed this 4th day of April, 2006.



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March 20, 2006

Mr. Don Stillwell, Lee County Manager
2115 Second Street
P.O. Box 398
Fort Myers, FL 33902

Dear Mr. Stillwell,

April is an important month in America's Statute 683.01 (1)(j), April 26th is recognize is recognized not only in Florida but also in Month is significant as it is the month the W ended(1865). The month of April has come among the Sons of Confederate Veterans th

The South can be proud of their men an Revolutionary War to The War in Iraq. It is important to also remember women who defended their homes, families and states during the War Between the States.

Those who served the Confederacy came from many races and religions. There was Irish born General Patrick R. Cleburne, black Sotherner Amos Rucker, and Jewish born Juda P. Benjiman, Mexican born Colonel Santos Benavides and American Indian General Stand Waite who was born in Rome Georgia.

Lest We Forget! As acting Commander of the Footman Camp, on behalf of all Sons of Confederate Veterans, we ask that the County Commission of Lee County, Florida, proclaim the attached resolution, declaring April as Confederate History Month.

C. Cecil Raulerson
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1st Lt. Commander
Acting Commander
239-691-4283

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Accepting?
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Proclamation

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Done this _____ day of _____, 2006, in Ft. Myers, FL