

Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary

Blue Sheet No. **20030107**

1. REQUESTED MOTION:

ACTION REQUESTED:

Present Children's Month Resolution.

WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY:
COMMISSION DISTRICT #:

9:30 #1

3. MEETING DATE:

02-04-03

4. AGENDA:

- CONSENT
- ADMINISTRATIVE
- APPEALS
- PUBLIC
- WALK ON
- TIME REQUIRED:

5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:
(Specify)

- STATUTE
- ORDINANCE
- ADMIN. CODE
- OTHER

6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:

- A. COMMISSIONER Commissioner Judah
- B. DEPARTMENT County Commission
- C. DIVISION _____

BY: *Judah*
by the

7. BACKGROUND:

8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services				G County Manager
					OA	OM	Risk	GC	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

10. COMMISSION ACTION:

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER



LEE COUNTY
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

The Board of County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

- Whereas: The School Readiness Coalition of Lee County, Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc., School District of Lee County Early Intervention Programs, Lee County Association for the Education of Young Children, Lee County Family Child Care Association in conjunction with the Florida Children's Forum and the Florida State Legislature, are celebrating Children's Month in February 2003; and
- Whereas: The research on brain development indicates that stimulation and nurturing environments during a child's first five years of life are critical to long term development and school readiness; and
- Whereas: By calling attention to the need for quality early education and care programs for all young children and their families within our community, these groups hope to improve the quality and availability of such services; and
- Whereas: The ability of Florida's parents to continue working is tied irrevocably to their ability to find and obtain quality and availability of such services; and
- Whereas: The business community is a vital partner in supporting family friendly work policies that include investments in high quality early childhood programs; and
- Whereas: Families receiving public assistance must be assured of high quality early childhood programs for their children to be ready to begin school and for parents to re-enter the work force; and
- Whereas: Parents, child care workers and children will demonstrate their dedication to the needs of children with events and celebrations in simultaneous programs in Lee County and throughout Florida; and
- Whereas: The School Readiness Coalition of Lee County, Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc., as the community coordinating agency for childcare, and the School District of Lee County Early Intervention Programs will continue to collaborate and be committed to advancing the needs of children and families through early childhood education and the comprehensive services.

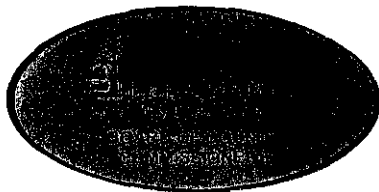
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida does hereby proclaim February 2003 as:

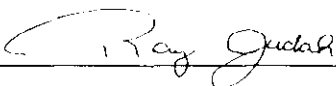
CHILDREN'S MONTH IN LEE COUNTY

and urge all citizens to recognize the need for quality childcare for working parents and to actively support the need for more and better programs for children.

Duly Executed this 4th day of February 2003.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**





Chairman