

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-100

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAIMING WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023, AS “WORLD LUPUS
DAY” IN NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

WHEREAS, lupus is an unpredictable and misunderstood autoimmune disease that can cause severe damage to the tissue and organs in the body and in some cases, death; and

WHEREAS, the Lupus Foundation of America estimates that 1.5 million Americans, and at least 5 million people worldwide, have a form of lupus and suffer from its devastating effects of this mysterious disease; and

WHEREAS, each year, over a hundred thousand young men, women, and children are newly diagnosed with lupus worldwide, the great majority of whom are women of childbearing age; and

WHEREAS, medical research efforts into lupus and the discovery of safer, more effective treatments for lupus patients are under-funded in comparison to diseases of comparable magnitude and severity; and

WHEREAS, people with lupus can experience significant symptoms such as pain, extreme fatigue, hair loss, cognitive loss, and physical impairments, however, in others, there may be no visible symptoms; and

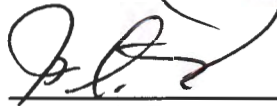
WHEREAS, many physicians worldwide are unaware of the symptoms and health effects of lupus, causing people to suffer for many years before they obtain a correct diagnosis and medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, there is a deep, unmet need worldwide to educate and support individuals and families affected by lupus and increase awareness in communities worldwide of the debilitating impact of lupus.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this 8th day of May 2023, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

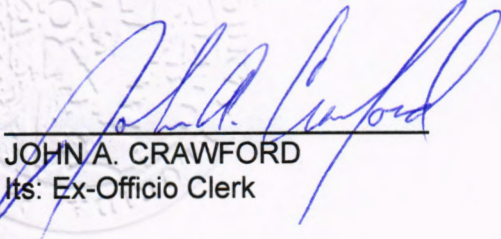
1. The Board hereby proclaims Wednesday, May 10, 2023, as World Lupus Day in Nassau County.
2. The Board supports funding for medical research on lupus, targeted education programs for health professionals, patients, and the public, and recognition of lupus as a significant public health issue.

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NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



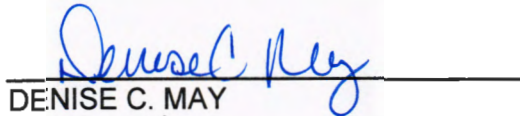
KLYNT A. FARMER
Its: Chairman

Attest as to Chairman's signature:



JOHN A. CRAWFORD
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:



DENISE C. MAY