

RESOLUTION NO. 2011- 56

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL
2011 AS *DONATE LIFE MONTH* IN NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA**

WHEREAS, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

WHEREAS, approximately 28,000 Americans receive a life-saving organ transplant every year; and

WHEREAS, a new patient is added to the national patient waiting list for an organ transplant every 10 minutes; and

WHEREAS, more than 110,000 men, women and children are currently on the national waiting list for organ transplantation, of which more than 3,800 are in Florida; and

WHEREAS, an average of 17 people die every day awaiting an organ transplant that does not come in time, and thousands more could benefit from life-improving tissue transplants each year; and

WHEREAS, one organ, tissue and eye donor can save or enhance the lives of as many as eight people and improve dozens more; and

WHEREAS, everyone is a potential organ, eye and tissue donor and can register their wish to save lives through organ and tissue donation at www.DonateLifeFlorida.org or on their driver license; and

WHEREAS, the State supports Donate Life Florida's life-saving mission; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress declared a week in April as National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week beginning in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Former U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy Thompson declared April as National Donate Life Month in 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

The Board hereby proclaims the month of April 2011 as *Donate Life Month* in Nassau County, Florida and encourages all Florida residents to consider giving life through organ donation and to sign up on Florida's

organ and tissue donor registry by visiting www.DonateLifeFlorida.org or when renewing their driver license or state identification card.

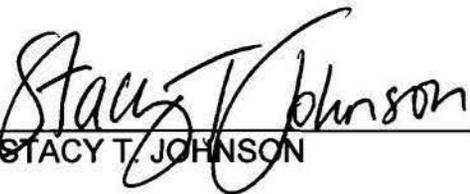
DULY ADOPTED this 11th day of April, 2011.

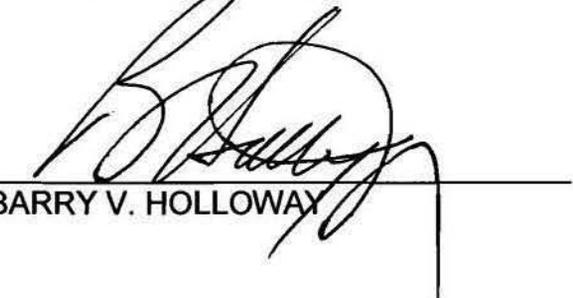
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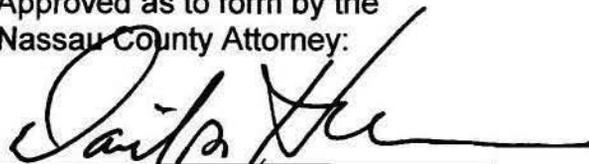

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SIGNATURE:


JOHN A. CRAWFORD
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:


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