Resolution

Whereas, the first two weeks of October have been designated "Disability History and Awareness" weeks by the Florida State Legislature.

Whereas, since 1975, students with disabilities have been educated in Levy County Public School System with the passing of P.L. 94-142 by Congress.

Whereas, School Board of Levy County has over 800 teachers, administrators, Para educators, contracted staff, and support staff committed to providing quality educational services to students with disabilities.

Whereas, Exceptional Student Education offers students with disabilities experiences and opportunities that will enable individuals to obtain postsecondary education, enter the workforce and contribute to their communities.

Whereas, School Board of Levy County has approximately 1,200 students identified with special needs who receive a quality education in the Least Restrictive Environment.

Whereas, School Board of Levy County supports the goal of disability history and awareness education and will continue to facilitate supportive environments for all students, better treatment of individuals with disabilities and increased attention to preventing the bullying or harassment of students with disabilities.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the School Board of Levy County does hereby proclaim the first two weeks of October as:

Disability History and Awareness Weeks

Be it further resolved, that the School Board of Levy County and the Superintendent of Schools reaffirms the local, state and federal commitment to full inclusion and equal opportunity for all students with disabilities.