

Charlotte County Florida



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) is the greatest underreported public health crisis in the nation; and

WHEREAS, approximately 50% of Charlotte County adults have experienced at least one or more ACEs; and

WHEREAS, ACEs impact individuals of all income levels, education levels, and cultural groups; and

WHEREAS, the negative consequences of toxic stress caused by ACEs on health and overall well-being in adulthood and later life are well-researched and well-documented; and

WHEREAS, ACEs effect all life stages, particularly early childhood development and adolescence increasing the likelihood of adopting risky health behaviors in adolescence and early adulthood; and

WHEREAS, research shows that the presence of one consistent, caring, and stable adult can stave off the negative effects of toxic stress caused by ACEs; and

WHEREAS, community awareness of ACEs and programs that promote the five protective factors against child abuse and neglect are known to build individual and community resilience by nurturing safe and stable relationships in the home and community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the month of October 2020 shall be known in all of Charlotte County as

ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES AWARENESS AND ACTION Month

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 22nd day of September 2020

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By William G. Truex
William G. Truex, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Hector Flores
Hector Flores, County Administrator

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