



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, over 103,000³ men, women and children are currently on the national waiting list for organ transplantation, of which nearly 5,100³ reside in Florida; and

WHEREAS, 46,630³, a record number of transplants, occurred in the calendar year 2023 thanks to the generosity of 23,287³ deceased and living donors, of which 3,302³ transplant patients and 1,343 deceased and living donors were from Florida; and

WHEREAS, more than 11.3¹ million Floridians have already registered their decision to give the Gift of Life through organ and tissue donation at www.DonateLifeFlorida.org or on their driver license; and

WHEREAS, LifeLink[®] of Florida, the non-profit organization dedicated to the recovery of organs and tissue for transplantation therapy in Florida, with a mission to honor donors and save lives through organ and tissue donation.

Now, therefore, I, Joe LaCascia, Mayor of Polk City, Florida do hereby proclaim the month of April 2024 as

LIFELINK NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH

in Polk City, Florida and encourage all 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.

POLK CITY

Joe LaCascia, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia R. Jackson, City Manager/Clerk

