

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER JIMMY PATRONIS STATE OF FLORIDA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the vast majority of Americans recognize that it is important to protect loved ones with life insurance, with a recent survey indicating that 83% agree that most people need coverage; and

WHEREAS, the life insurance industry pays \$58 billion to beneficiaries each year, providing a tremendous source of financial relief and security to families that experience the loss of a loved one; and

WHEREAS, despite the importance that people place on life insurance and the peace of mind that it brings to millions of American families, there are still too many Americans who lack adequate coverage; and

WHEREAS, the unfortunate reality is that roughly 95 million adult Americans have no life insurance and most with coverage have less than most experts recommend; and

WHEREAS, millions of Americans realize that they are underinsured, with nearly one in three believing that they do not have enough coverage; and

WHEREAS, during times like these when so many families continue to struggle, life insurance coverage is more important than ever because people have fewer financial resources to fall back on than in years past, increasing their financial vulnerability; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit LIFE Foundation and a coalition representing hundreds of leading life insurance companies and organizations have designated September 2023 as "Life Insurance Awareness Month," whose goal is to get consumers thinking about their need for life insurance protection, to encourage them to seek advice from a qualified insurance professional, and to take the actions necessary to achieve a financially secure future for their loved ones.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer and State Fire Marshal of the State of Florida does hereby proclaim September 2023 as

LIFE INSRUANCE AWARNESS MONTH

and urges Floridians to learn more about life insurance and its benefits.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF the Chief Financial Officer of the State of Florida has hereunto subscribed his name on the 1st day of September 2023.

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