

Staff Report

Subject: Proclamation for Donate Life Month
Author: Stephanie Johnson, County Clerk
Department: Administration
Meeting Date: 04/15/2025
Item Description: Consideration to approve a Proclamation declaring April 2025 as Donate Life Month

Summary Recommendation:

Staff support the Proclamation as presented by LifeLink .

Executive Summary:

The Board of Commissioners commonly supports initiatives which provide awareness and a better quality of life for all citizens of Effingham County.

Background:

LifeLink is a nonprofit organization, started more than 30 years ago, led by nephrologist Dr. Dana Shires. The initiative was a commitment to save lives through organ and tissue donation. LifeLink has more than 500 full and part-time staff in west-central Florida, Georgia and Puerto Rico.

On 2023 there were 902 organ donors honored and 2,573 organ transplants. There are +90,000 lives improved annually through tissue transplantation made possible by donors and their families and the LifeLink Tissue Bank.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve the Proclamation as presented.
2. To not approve the Proclamation.

Recommended Alternative: Staff recommends Alternative number 1

Other Alternatives: N/A

Department Review: Administration

Funding Source: No funding is required.

Attachments:

1. Proclamation