

Levy County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring “April 16, 2023”, as “*National Healthcare Decisions Day*”
In Levy County, Florida

Whereas, National Healthcare Decision Day is recognized across the country on April 16, 2023, it is designed to inspire educate, and empower the public and providers about the importance of advance care planning to raise public awareness of the need to plan ahead for health-care decisions, especially those related to end of life care and medical decision-making when patients are unable to speak for themselves, and to encourage the specific use of advanced directives to communicate these important health care decisions; and

Whereas, healthcare community organizations across Florida are assisting people to plan for future health care decisions in the event they are unable to make their own medical decisions and to encourage the use of advance directives to communicate these health care decisions; and

Whereas, a large percentage of Levy County residents have not yet prepared for healthcare decisions in times of crisis and/or at end of life had not had important conversations with their families, loved ones, and their healthcare providers and documented those decisions; and

Whereas, one of the principal goas of National Healthcare Decisions Day is to encourage physicians and their care teams, medical groups, hospitals and health systems, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, continuing care retirement communities, hospices and community organizations to participate in a statewide effort to provide clear and consistent information to the public about advance care planning; and

Whereas, Community Hospice and Palliative care of North Central Florida endorses this event and is committed to educating the public during about the importance of discussing healthcare choices and executing advance directives.

Now, Therefore, Be It Proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners, Levy County, Florida, that April 16, 2023 shall be recognized as “*National Healthcare Decision Day*” and, furthermore, encourage the citizens of Levy County to increase their understanding and awareness of Advanced Directives and informing their families of their wishes.

Duly proclaimed this 11th day of April, 2023.

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