

# Proclamation

## City of North Port



**WHEREAS**, the mission at One Mom's Battle (OMB) and the Family Court Awareness Month Committee (FCAMC) is to increase awareness on the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety and acts in the best interest of children; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission at the FCAMC is to increase awareness on the importance of education and training on domestic violence, childhood trauma and post separation abuse for all professionals working within the family court system; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission at the FCAMC is to educate judges and other family court professionals on the empirical data and research that is currently available. Such research is a critical component to making decisions that are truly in the best interest of children. This research includes The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study (CDC-Kaiser Permanente), Saunder's Study (US Department of Justice), The Meier Study: Child Custody Outcomes in Cases Involving Abuse Allegations, and the Santa Clara Law Study (Confronting the Challenge of High-Conflict Personality in Family Court); and

**WHEREAS**, the mission at the FCAMC is fueled by the desire for awareness and change in the family court system while honoring the 800(+) children who have been murdered by separating or divorcing parents.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 2021 as:

### ***“Family Court Awareness Month”***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

**ATTEST**

Heather Taylor, City Clerk

**CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA**

Jill Luke, Mayor

Pete Emrich, Vice-Mayor

Alice White, Commissioner

Barbara Langdon, Commissioner

Debbie McDowell, Commissioner

