WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economic development organization dedicated to serving economic developers; and

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council provides leadership and excellence in economic development for communities, members, and partners through conferences, training courses, advisory services and research, in-depth publications, public policy advocacy, and initiatives such as the Accredited Economic Development Organization program and the Certified Economic Developer designation; and

WHEREAS, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

WHEREAS, economic developers stimulate and incubate entrepreneurism in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that May 6-11, 2019, shall be known, designated, and set aside as

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in Manatee County, Florida, and commend the work of all economic developers in Manatee County, recognizing the importance of the profession in advancing career opportunities and improving quality of life.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 7th day of May 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Stephen R. Jonsson, Chairman

ATTEST: Angelina Colonneseo
Clerk of the Circuit Court