



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

FLORIDA FAMILY CAREGIVER MONTH

WHEREAS, Florida is home to approximately 2.9 million family caregivers; and

WHEREAS, Florida's family caregivers provide an estimated 2.4 billion hours of care annually; and

WHEREAS, the care services performed by Florida's family caregivers are valued at \$31 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' Respite for Elders Living in Everyday Families (RELIEF) program provides respite support to Florida's caregivers; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) provided 4.1 million hours of caregiver respite in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' Home Care for the Elderly (HCE) program assists caregivers in providing home-based care for elderly loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) provide training, respite care, and other support services to bolster the efforts of caregivers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing November 2021 as *Florida Family Caregiver Month*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 1st day of November, in the year two thousand twenty-one.

A blue ink signature of Ron DeSantis, written in a cursive style.

Governor