



**RON DESANTIS**  
GOVERNOR

***DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH IN FLORIDA***

**WHEREAS, Florida has a bold vision for a brighter future, and it is essential that all our children are provided with a strong foundation and a world-class education; and**

**WHEREAS, dyslexia is the most common learning disability, affecting as many as one in every five children; and**

**WHEREAS, the International Dyslexia Association defines dyslexia as a specific learning disability that is neurobiological in origin and affects the ability to read, write, and process language; and**

**WHEREAS, dyslexia is characterized by difficulties with accurate and fluent word recognition and by poor spelling and decoding abilities that typically result from a deficit in the phonological component of language; and**

**WHEREAS, secondary consequences may include problems in reading comprehension and reduced reading experience that can impede growth of vocabulary and background knowledge; and**

**WHEREAS, the International Dyslexia Association-Florida Branch is a state leader in the awareness and dissemination of current knowledge, research, and resources regarding dyslexia and related language-based learning disabilities; and**

**WHEREAS, Dyslexia Awareness Month in Florida is an opportunity to raise awareness and learn about the resources available to support those Floridians living with dyslexia.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend my greetings and best wishes to all observing October 2021, as *Dyslexia Awareness Month in Florida*.**



**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 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, in the year two thousand twenty-one.**

  
Governor