

RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, in Florida, public safety and the protection of our children and families is paramount; and

WHEREAS, each and every school day, thousands of dedicated crossing guards assist our children across busy streets as they arrive to and depart from school; and

WHEREAS, the state of Florida prioritizes student safety and recognizes that education plays a critical role in ensuring the safety of our children and the crossing guards who assist them; and

WHEREAS, the Ramon Turnquest School Crossing Guard Act, in Florida Statute, requires local government entities who administer school crossing guard programs to train their guards according to state guidelines to ensure the preparedness of these professionals; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles also provides school bus and pedestrian safety resources to establish additional safety measures for school crossing guards and the children they assist; and

WHEREAS, our exemplary crossing guards are recognized and awarded for their professionalism and responsibility for the safety of children through the Florida Department of Transportation's School Crossing Guard of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, Florida school crossing guards are professionals who provide an essential service to our communities and deserve special recognition for their tireless efforts; and

WHEREAS, the first Friday in February is an opportunity for Floridians to recognize the hard work and dedication of those who protect Florida's schoolchildren across the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing February 4, 2022, as Crossing Guard Appreciation Day 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 4th day of February, in the year two thousand twenty-two.

Governor