

RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 6.7 million people currently live with chronic wounds; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Wound Care Awareness Week is to inform patients, their families, community physicians, and the general public about the importance of advanced wound care and its ability to save lives and limbs; and

WHEREAS, the rising incidence of chronic wounds is due to an aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions such as diabetes, obesity, and late effects of radiation therapy; and

WHEREAS, untreated chronic wounds can lead to a diminished quality of life and amputation of the affected limb; and

WHEREAS, chronic wounds represent a cost of more than \$50 billion to our healthcare system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend my support to all observing June 3-7, 2019, as *Wound Care Awareness Week 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 3rd day of June, in the year two thousand nineteen.