

NATIONAL WATER QUALITY MONTH

WHEREAS, water is our most valuable natural resource, and access to clean water is one of our most important human rights; and

WHEREAS, maintaining and improving water quality is essential to protect public health, quality of life, fisheries, wildlife, and watersheds, and to ensure abundant opportunities for public recreation and economic development; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the government and all citizens to provide and protect clean water for future generations; and

WHEREAS, The Penny for Pinellas has supported more than 134 infrastructure projects to protect our waterways by removing pollutants to keep our lakes, bays, and Gulf healthy while enhancing our drainage systems, protecting our citizens from flooding and preventing wastewater overflows; and

WHEREAS, August is National Water Quality Month in the United States with efforts to encourage public awareness, involvement, and active participation in the protection and restoration of our water resources; and

WHEREAS, Pinellas County encourages all citizens to seek opportunities to learn how they can participate in preserving water quality now and into the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners that the month of August 2026, be recognized as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands and caused the seal of Pinellas County, Florida, to be affixed hereto on this XXth day of August 2026.

DAVE EGGERS, Chairman

CHRIS LATVALA, Vice Chairman

RENÉ FLOWERS, Commissioner

VINCE NOWICKI, Commissioner

KATHLEEN PETERS, Commissioner

CHRIS SCHERER, Commissioner

BRIAN SCOTT, Commissioner