

(7 BCC SIGNED IN 2025)

NATIONAL IT PROFESSIONALS DAY

- WHEREAS,** Information Technology (IT) professionals play a crucial role in supporting local government operations, ensuring the efficient delivery of services and the effective management of critical systems that serve our community; and
- WHEREAS,** IT professionals are instrumental in maintaining the technological infrastructure that supports public services, from managing data systems to securing communication networks, which are vital for the smooth functioning of local government; and
- WHEREAS,** the expertise and dedication of IT professionals enable local government entities to enhance transparency, streamline processes, and improve accessibility for residents, thereby fostering a more responsive and accountable administration; and
- WHEREAS,** IT professionals face complex challenges and work tirelessly behind the scenes to implement innovative solutions that address the unique needs of local government, driving improvements in public services and operational efficiency; and
- WHEREAS,** Business Technology Services (BTS), created by interlocal agreement in 2008, serves as the IT agency for all of Pinellas County Government including its constitutional offices, thereby creating efficiencies, streamlining functionality, and enhancing cost savings across County agencies and departments; and
- WHEREAS,** it is appropriate to recognize and celebrate the significant contributions of IT professionals, specifically those BTS employees who serve Pinellas residents every day, as they support local government operations and enhance the quality of life for our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners that September 16, 2026, be recognized as

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FURTHER, we do hereby encourage all citizens to acknowledge and appreciate the vital role that IT professionals play in advancing the functions and services of our local government.

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 *September* 2026.