



**PUTNAM COUNTY
PROCLAMATION NO. 2026-010**

AMERICA 250 LIBERTY TREE DAY

WHEREAS, in 1765, like-minded patriots often gathered around an old elm tree in Boston to meet and stage acts of defiance against tyranny, establishing the tree to be known as "The Liberty Tree" a lasting symbol of American independence and freedom; and

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, a milestone for the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the planting of a tribute "Liberty Tree" at the corner of US 17 and SR 19 serves as a living monument to the spirit, courage, and sacrifice of those who secured our nation's independence; and

WHEREAS, the William Bartram Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the St. Augustine Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Sunrise Rotary Club of Palatka desire to honor this legacy and renew our dedication to the principles of liberty, justice, and community;

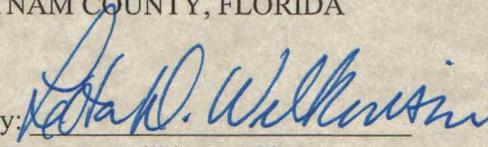
NOW, THEREFORE, by the Putnam County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaim Saturday, February 28th, 2026 as;

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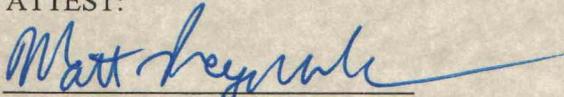
in the County of Putnam and encourage all citizens to join in the dedication of this tree as a symbol of our shared history and bright future.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of February, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: 
Leota D. Wilkinson, Chair

ATTEST:


Matt Reynolds, Clerk of Court