



RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

WORLD POLIO DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida is committed to empowering its residents to reach their full potential and lead healthy lives; and

WHEREAS, during these unprecedented times, it is now more important than ever for Florida's families to prioritize their health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, Poliomyelitis, mostly known as poliovirus or polio, is a disease that most commonly affects children under the age of five; and

WHEREAS, polio is usually spread from person to person through contaminated water and can attack the nervous system, sometimes leading to paralysis; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have reduced by 99 percent since 1988; and

WHEREAS, since 1985, Rotary International, a global non-profit service organization, has remained focused on eliminating polio; and

WHEREAS, World Polio Week is an opportunity to raise awareness of this disease, while working to keep other countries polio-free.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend my support and appreciation to all who recognize October 24, 2020, as *World Polio 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 24th day of October, in the year two thousand twenty.



Governor