

# Office of the Mayor



## Proclamation

**Whereas**, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

**Whereas**, more than 39,000 Americans receive a lifesaving organ transplant every year; and

**Whereas**, a new patient is added to the national patient waiting list for an organ transplant every 10 minutes; and

**Whereas**, over 108,000 men, women and children are currently on the national waiting list for organ transplantation, of which nearly 5,000 are in the West and Southwest Florida area; and

**Whereas**, an average of 22 people die every day awaiting an organ transplant that does not come in time; and

**Whereas**, one organ, tissue and eye donor can save or enhance the lives of as many as 75 people; and

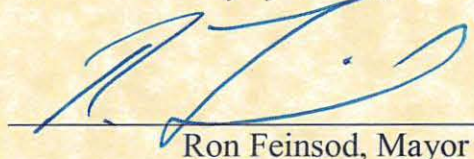
**Whereas**, everyone is a potential organ, eye and tissue donor and can register their wish to save lives through organ and tissue donation at [www.DonateLifeFlorida.org](http://www.DonateLifeFlorida.org) or on their driver license.

**Now, Therefore**, I, Ron Feinsod, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council do hereby proclaim the month of April 2021 as

### *Donate Life Month*

in the City of Venice and encourage all residents to consider giving life through organ donation and to sign up on Florida's organ and tissue donor registry by visiting [www.DonateLifeFlorida.org](http://www.DonateLifeFlorida.org) or when renewing their driver license or state identification card.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto  
set my hand and caused the Seal  
of the City of Venice to be affixed  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021.*

  
Ron Feinsod, Mayor

