

Office of the Mayor



Venice, Florida
"City on the Gulf"

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 28,000 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 123,000 men, women and children are currently on the national waiting list for organ transplantation, of which more than 1100 are in the West and Southwest Florida area; and

Whereas, An average of 21 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 60 people; and

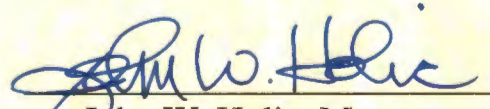
Whereas, Everyone is a potential organ, eye and tissue donor and can register their wish to save lives through organ and tissue donation:

Now, Therefore, I, John W. Holic, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council do hereby proclaim April 2016 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 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 12th day of April, 2016.*


John W. Holic, Mayor

