



## RESOLUTION 2011- 04

### THE LAKE COUNTY COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM SUPPORTS AND ENCOURAGES

#### PARTICIPATION IN THE

#### "TRAIN SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK" – APRIL 17-23, 2011

**WHEREAS**, In 2009, at least 248 people were killed and 913 were seriously injured nationally in 1,880 highway-rail grade crossing collisions (combined for public and private crossings); and

**WHEREAS**, at least 434 people were killed and 338 were injured nationally while trespassing on railroad rights-of-way and property; and

**WHEREAS**, at least every two-hours a vehicle or pedestrian is stuck by a train in the United States resulting in 12 incidents each day. The State of Florida ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in the nation for trespass fatalities in 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, over 50 percent of crashes at public grade crossings occur where active warning devices exist; and

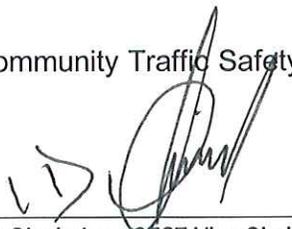
**WHEREAS**, safe driving and public awareness of the dangers associated with highway-rail grade crossing and rights-of-way could result in less incidents; and

**WHEREAS**, this important observance is a state priority and will lead to greater safety awareness and a reduction in highway-rail grade crossing collisions and trespassing incidents; and

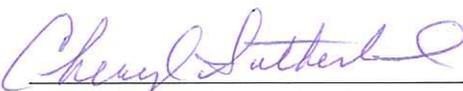
**WHEREAS**, Florida Operation Lifesaver and the Florida Community Traffic Safety Team Coalition declare their support for Train Safety Awareness Week - April 17 – 23, 2011.

**DONE AND RESOLVED** by the Lake County Community Traffic Safety Team in regular session this Thursday, March 17, 2011.

  
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Thomas D. McKane, IV – CTST Chairman

  
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Noble Olasimbo – CTST Vice Chairman

Attest:

  
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Cheryl Sutherland, Recording Secretary