



CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
**JIMMY PATRONIS**  
STATE OF FLORIDA

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, financial literacy is the foundation of your relationship with money, and is a lifelong journey of learning to be financially successful by knowing how to manage our money, develop a budget, borrow and save money responsibly, and investing and planning for retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, the world of money is constantly evolving, and our students need to have access to the most up-to-date information so our future leaders will be prepared with the education and knowledge to make informed financial decisions in order prosper in our society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida legislature recognized the importance of teaching our kids financial literacy at a young age by passing legislation during the 2022 legislative session requiring a stand-alone course that focuses on the basics of credit, budgeting, savings and investing so that our future generations will be equipped with the proper resources to be in a position to attain financial success; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida is now the largest state of 11 states that have instituted the requirement that all high school students take a course in Financial Literacy in order to graduate high school; and

**WHEREAS**, having financial knowledge and maintaining healthy financial habits empowers people to feel more confident about their financial wellness and sets them on a path of obtaining financial freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of Financial Literacy Month is to promote, advocate and support financial literacy efforts across the U.S., with special emphasis on kids and teenagers with a focus on an opportunity to identify money weaknesses and turn them into money strengths.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer and State Fire Marshal of the State of Florida does hereby recognize April 2022 as

**NATIONAL FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH**

and encourages all consumers to make smart money decisions and expand their knowledge of financial education.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF** the Chief Financial Officer of the State of Florida has hereunto subscribed his name on the 1st day of April 2022.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jimmy Patronis".

**JIMMY PATRONIS**  
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
STATE FIRE MARSHAL