

PROCLAMATION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, the Isaiah 117 House was founded by Ronda Paulson where her calling was to establish a safe, loving and supportive environment for children awaiting foster care placement; and

WHEREAS, the Isaiah 117 House provides children with a welcoming space and compassionate care. The Isaiah 117's mission is to bring dignity, comfort and hope to children during one of the most difficult transitions of their lives; and

WHEREAS, the Isaiah 117 organization has received a generous donation, leading to the groundbreaking for a new Isaiah House in Marion County; and

WHEREAS, each year on January 17, communities across the country observe this day by connecting, reflecting and uplifting children in foster care through acts of prayer and compassion by transforming potentially traumatic days into experiences of grace by providing a loving and safe place where their essential needs of clothing, food and hygiene are met; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in us do hereby proclaim that **January 17, 2026** be known as

“ISAIAH 117 HOUSE DAY”

DULY PROCLAIMED this 3rd day of **February, 2026**.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

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