



# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, there are over 40,000 Pinellas County residents that are visually impaired;  
and

**WHEREAS**, all citizens must work to reduce barriers to ensure that opportunities are more accessible to all; and

**WHEREAS**, most Americans who are blind or visually impaired use a white cane or service dog to help them succeed at school, home or work; and

**WHEREAS**, white canes give these individuals greater mobility and enable them to participate in more aspects of community life; and

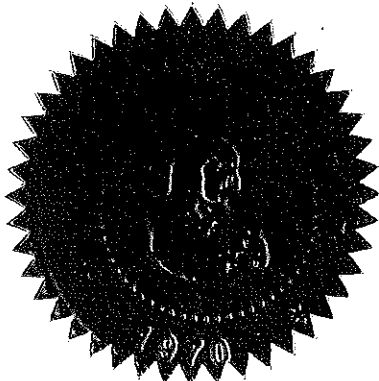
**WHEREAS**, White Can Safety Day celebrates the progress that has been made for those who are blind or visually impaired and reaffirms Seminole's commitment to these citizens;  
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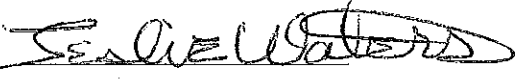
**WHEREAS**, the Pinellas Council of the Blind is committed to expanding educational and employment opportunities and improving access into daily community life for the blind and visually impaired.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Leslie Waters, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Seminole, Florida and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim October 12, 2019 to be

**"WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY"**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Seminole, Florida to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019.



  
Leslie Waters, Mayor