



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

PAYCHECKS FOR PATRIOTS IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, throughout the rich history of the United States of America, patriotic men and women have taken up arms and sworn an oath to defend our nation, and have established an honorable tradition of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is recognized as one of the most military and veteran friendly states in the nation, with more than 1.5 million veterans living in Florida; and

WHEREAS, the leadership, maturity, selfless sacrifice and dedication learned in military service, among other assets, are what today's veterans bring to Florida businesses; and

WHEREAS, veterans, National Guard members, reservists, and their families gain meaningful employment and training for career opportunities through the Florida workforce system, consisting of the Department of Economic Opportunity, Department of Education, CareerSource Florida, and the 24 Workforce Development Boards operating more than 100 career centers statewide; and

WHEREAS, Florida's workforce system is hosting more than a dozen annual Paychecks for Patriots career fair events throughout communities in the state to provide veterans with the opportunity to meet employers in person, as well as learn about and apply for immediate job openings; and

WHEREAS, more than 140 Local Veterans Employment Representatives and Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Specialists, who are veterans themselves, work daily to assist veterans with resume building, helping them translate the skills they have mastered through their military service; and

WHEREAS nearly 5,000 veterans have been placed in jobs since January 1, 2019, thanks to these veteran employment representatives; and

WHEREAS, Florida is committed to helping our veterans succeed through programs like the Governor's Initiative on Lawyers Assisting Warriors (GI LAW) and the Forward March Initiative.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, in an effort to further help veterans and military families advance their careers and job training opportunities, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all celebrating Paychecks for Patriots during the weeks of November 4-15, 2019.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 4th day of November, in the year two thousand nineteen.



Governor