



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

FLORIDA TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE DAY

WHEREAS, the effects of trauma are felt by people everywhere regardless of age, race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, gender and workplace; and

WHEREAS, Trauma-Informed Care is an approach to engaging those with histories of trauma that recognizes its symptoms and acknowledges the role it has played in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Florida's state agencies have adopted the Trauma-Informed Care approach, basing their services on an understanding of the vulnerabilities and triggers of trauma survivors that traditional service delivery approaches may exacerbate, so that these services and programs can be more supportive and avoid re-traumatization; and

WHEREAS, Trauma-Informed Care has changed the way we provide services to the youth and families in our care; and

WHEREAS, trauma-specific interventions are designed to address the consequences of trauma in the individual and to facilitate healing; and

WHEREAS, through Trauma-Informed Care techniques we are truly putting hope back into the hearts of our communities and Florida's children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all who recognize November 1, 2011 as *Florida Trauma-Informed Care Day*.



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 13th day of October, in the year two thousand eleven.

A blue ink signature of Rick Scott, written in a cursive style.

Governor