## THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Principal Leslie Gunderson, a dedicated educator who has made a significant impact on Lee County for over 34 years, with a background as a teacher, elementary assistant principal, and elementary principal, has exemplified a lifelong commitment to education; and

WHEREAS, Principal Gunderson began her teaching career at Tropic Isles Elementary in Lee County, the Assistant Principal at Orange River Elementary and Hancock Creek Elementary and Hector Cafferata Elementary School and Principal at Pinewoods Elementary in Estero for the past 11 years; and

WHEREAS, Principal Gunderson has served as the Principal of Pinewoods Elementary School, positively influencing the lives of countless students, and contributed to the remarkable success and achieved high rates of academic accomplishment for the students; and

WHEREAS, Principal Gunderson is known for her approach of treating people with grace while maintaining high expectations, and has consistently demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities; and

WHEREAS, the residents and the Village of Estero Council wish to recognize Principal Gunderson for her honorable service.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Jon McLain of the Village of Estero, Lee County, Florida, do hereby proclaim that the Village recognizes Leslie Gunderson's exceptional achievements in a career committed to a lifelong commitment to education and dedication to the students of Estero and Lee County.

IN WITNESS THEREFORE, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of Estero to be affixed, this day of 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

Jon McLain, Mayor