

SARASOTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Sarasota, Florida



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** *Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency is a serious hereditary disorder that can result in life-threatening lung and liver disease; it is estimated about 1 in 2,500 Americans have Alpha-1 and an estimated 19 million are carriers who may pass the defective gene to their children; and*

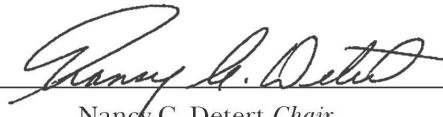
**WHEREAS,** *Alpha-1 is widely under-diagnosed and misdiagnosed, fewer than 10 percent of those afflicted have been diagnosed and it often takes years from the time symptoms appear, although it can be diagnosed with a simple blood test; and*

**WHEREAS,** *a nationwide awareness campaign throughout the month of November aims to educate the medical community and the public on Alpha-1 detection and treatment.*

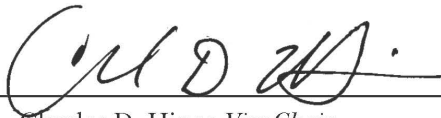
**NOW, THEREFORE, WE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA,**  
*do hereby proclaim November 2018 to be:*

## **ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH**

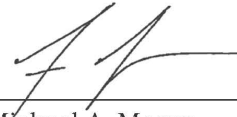
**PRESENTED** *this 28th day of November 2018.*



Nancy C. Detert *Chair*  
Sarasota County District 3 Commissioner



Charles D. Hines *Vice Chair*  
Sarasota County District 5 Commissioner



Michael A. Moran  
Sarasota County District 1 Commissioner



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Sarasota County District 2 Commissioner



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Sarasota County District 4 Commissioner



Karen E. Rushing  
Clerk of the Circuit Court and County Comptroller