



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the NFB works to change attitudes about blindness by providing information about blindness to parents, teachers, school administrators, and businesses, political, social and civic leaders; and

WHEREAS, today the NFB, representing more than fifty thousand members across the county, continues to work to secure equal rights and opportunities for the blind; and

WHEREAS, every citizen should be aware that the law requires that motorists exercise appropriate caution when approaching a blind person carrying a white cane; and

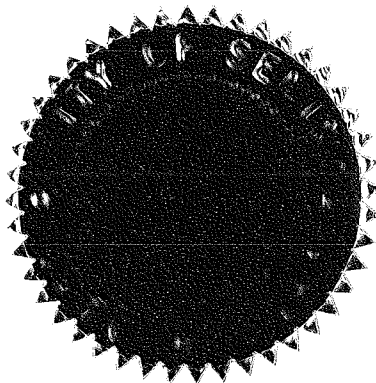
WHEREAS, the white cane, which every blind citizen of our state has the right to carry, demonstrates and symbolizes the ability to achieve a full and independent life and allows every blind person to move freely and safely from place to place making it possible for them to work productively in competitive employment and fully participate in and contribute to our society.

NOW THEREFORE, I, James Johnson, Mayor of the City of Seminole, Florida, along with the Seminole City Council do hereby proclaim the month of October as:

MEET THE BLIND MONTH and WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY

and encourage all citizens to accept an invitation to meet members of the National Federation of the Blind, the voice of the Nation's blind, and to recognize the white cane as an instrument of safety and self-help for blind pedestrians on our streets and highways.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Seminole, Florida, to be affixed this 15th day of October, 2012.




James Johnson, Mayor