

Resolution No. 2004-R-_____

RESOLUTION

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA ON THE 10th DAY OF AUGUST, A.D., 2004.

WHEREAS, JOSEPH JACKSON, SR., a resident of Sanford, Florida since the mid-1920's, helped create what was known as the Midway-Canaan Volunteer Fire Department in 1960 and served as its Fire Chief until 1974 when the Midway-Canaan Fire Department, along with other small volunteer fire departments within the County, joined to form the nucleus of the Seminole County Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, FIRE CHIEF JOSEPH JACKSON, who died at age 84 on September 23, 2003, was posthumously recognized by the Fire Chief's Association in Key West in July 2004 with an honorary Fire Chief's helmet, and subsequently honored by the Seminole County Public Safety Department at a landmark Ceremony on July 23, 2004; and

WHEREAS, FIRE CHIEF JOSEPH JACKSON, who served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was his company's bugle boy, returned to Sanford's Midway area and has since been considered one of the "Fathers of Midway" for working tirelessly for his community with the annual Central Florida Cerebral Palsy Foundation telethon, Midway-Canaan Water Users Association, Midway Improvement Association, NAACP, as Deacon at Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist Church for 50 years and Board Chairman of the Church for more than 20 years, through Young Ministers and the Deacons Union of Sanford, the Firemen's Ball (for which proceeds were utilized to purchase fire trucks and firefighting equipment), and was even considered a "town crier" who drove his automobile through Midway announcing community meetings over a loud-speaker; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to express its appreciation on behalf of the citizens of Seminole County, Florida to FIRE CHIEF JOSEPH JACKSON for his dedication to his neighbors and the entire community of Midway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida that this Resolution be spread upon the Official Minutes by the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Seminole, and that this Resolution be presented to the family of JOSEPH JACKSON, SR., in recognition and appreciation of his service to the residents of Seminole County.

ADOPTED, this 10th day of August, A.D. 2004.

ATTEST:

Maryanne Morse, Clerk to the Board
Of County Commissioners in and for
The County of Seminole, Florida

Daryl G. McLain, Chairman

Date: _____