

Resolution No. 04-R-

RESOLUTION

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA ON THE 24TH DAY OF AUGUST A.D., 2004.

WHEREAS, Staff Sgt. STEPHEN CARDONA, son of Andrew Cardona of the Seminole County Community Information Department, a resident of Seminole County, Florida since 1988 and a graduate of Forest Lake Academy and Seminole Community College, enlisted in the U.S. Army, receiving basic and advanced training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri and Ft. Sam Houston, Texas as a Combat Medic; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sgt. STEPHEN CARDONA was assigned to the 10th Mountain Division, 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry, was deployed for one year with the allied peace-keeping forces to Bosnia, served as an instructor with the Air (Helicopter) Assault Tactical Training Center in Ft. Drum, New York and at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, served in the U.S. Army's 1st Armored Division in Frankfurt, Germany, attended the Airborne Paratrooper Training School at Ft. Benning, Georgia where, after completing 3 weeks of airborne training and making 5 qualifying parachute jumps from an aircraft in flight, he was awarded the military's coveted Parachute Badge; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sgt. STEPHEN CARDONA, participated in "Operation Iraqi Freedom" providing medical aid and support to front line infantry units under hostile fire in and around the embattled cities of Baghdad and Fallujah for which he was awarded the prestigious Combat Medical Badge, and was assigned to the special medical team during President George W. Bush's surprise visit to combat troops in Iraq in November, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida wish to recognize the dedicated and faithful service to this country by Staff Sgt. STEPHEN CARDONA and to acknowledge his bravery and accomplishments which have resulted in his also being awarded 4 Army Achievement Medals, 2 Army Commendation Medals and the Air Assault Badge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of 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 Staff Sgt. STEPHEN CARDONA with heartfelt admiration and appreciation on behalf of the citizens of Seminole County.

ADOPTED, this 24th day of August, A.D. 2004.

ATTEST:

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

Daryl G. McLain, Chairman

Date: _____