



DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROCLAMATION

Whereas, economic development activities promote financial well-being and quality of life for the citizens of DeSoto County by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate sustainability, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

Whereas, economic development stimulates and incubates entrepreneurship in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of the American economy; and

Whereas, economic development professionals serve as stewards, bridging connections between community stakeholders to collaborate in promoting job creation, community investment, infrastructure advancements, and an optimistic future; and

Whereas, DeSoto County is actively working to attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant neighborhoods, and improve the quality of life here, and

Whereas, businesses, individuals, municipalities, educational institutions, and not-for-profits all play a role in economic development; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners, DeSoto County, Florida, hereby proclaims May 4 through May 8, 2026, as:

Economic Development Week

ATTEST:

Mandy Hines
County Administrator

Steve Hickox
Chairman