



PROCLAMATION #PRO2022-02

FLORIDA PADDLING TRAIL BLUEWAY COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, The City of Dunnellon is in close proximity of the Rainbow and Withlacoochee Rivers/Parks; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Paddling Trails Association is the Steward of the Florida paddling trails and continues as Florida's volunteer organization for developing and maintaining paddling trails throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, such paddling trails and Blueways provide a year-round source of pleasure and recreation to Florida's citizens and visitors to Florida; and

WHEREAS, many of the citizens in and around the community of City of Dunnellon and other visitors and citizens of Florida are becoming more health conscious and are turning to paddling as one of the major forms of maintaining a healthy body; and

WHEREAS, the community of City of Dunnellon is an ideal destination for many of today's visitors to the Sunshine State, and

WHEREAS, City of Dunnellon offers a variety of outdoor and cultural experiences to residents and visitors, and

WHEREAS, available supporting services and facilities such as lodging and restaurants make City of Dunnellon an outstanding heritage and nature-based tourism destination; and

WHEREAS, casual paddlers, day paddlers, and weekend paddlers want to enjoy the Rainbow and Withlacoochee Rivers/Parks, and surrounding blueways, and the community of City of Dunnellon can provide the gateway to their experience.

NOW, THEREFORE, The City Council of the City of Dunnellon, Florida does hereby proclaim City of Dunnellon a

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and commends the Florida Paddling Trail Association for its work in developing and maintaining Florida's paddling trails and further encourages all residents of and visitors to City of Dunnellon to paddle on the Rainbow and Withlacoochee Rivers/Parks and enjoy the surrounding natural waterways.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED in regular session this 10th day of January 2022.

CITY OF DUNNELLON, FLORIDA

William P. White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda L. Odom, CMC, City Clerk