



**RON DESANTIS**  
GOVERNOR

***AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH IN FLORIDA***

**WHEREAS, Florida is committed to ensuring the health and well-being of our children and families; and**

**WHEREAS, pharmacy is one of the oldest of the health professions concerned with the health and well-being of all people; and**

**WHEREAS, pharmacists are an integral part of the healthcare system in the State of Florida, playing a crucial role in ensuring the safe and effective use of medications by patients; and**

**WHEREAS, there are over 300,000 pharmacists in the United States providing services to assure the rational and safe use of all medications; and**

**WHEREAS, pharmacists provide both expertise and accessibility which are crucial to patients, fully optimizing access to medications that are not self-administered; and**

**WHEREAS, pharmacists are specifically educated with a focus and level of expertise on medication therapy that exceeds that of other health care providers and are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and patients to improve medication use and outcomes by providing services through medication therapy management; and**


**WHEREAS, the American Pharmacists Association and the Florida Pharmacy Association have declared October as American Pharmacists Month; and**

**WHEREAS, American Pharmacists Month is an opportunity to recognize the significant role pharmacists play in our healthcare system and the impact they have on the well-being of our families and communities.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing October 2023 as *American Pharmacists Month in Florida*.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, in the year two thousand twenty-three.**

  
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Governor