

Proclamation

REQUESTED BY
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, as a result of global environmental pollution, people of all ages in Broward County and throughout the world have developed a condition known as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS); and

WHEREAS, MCS is a painful chronic condition characterized by hypersensitivity reactions to the environment for which there is currently no cure; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms associated with MCS include acute reactions to chemicals, food, and medication, severe neurological problems, muscle and joint pain, memory problems, and respiratory difficulties; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the U.S. Access Board, Social Security Administration, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and numerous other governmental agencies and commissions; and

WHEREAS, the health of the general population is at risk from chemical exposures that can lead to this environmentally-induced illness; and

WHEREAS, the illness may be preventable through the reduction of avoidance of chemicals in the air, water, and food, in both indoor and outdoor environments, and through further scientific research to be conducted including the area of genetics; and

WHEREAS, people with MCS need the support of the medical establishment, and the understanding of family, friends, co-workers and society as they struggle with their illness and adapt to new lifestyles; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

That the Board hereby designates the month of May 2010 as “**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY (MCS) AWARENESS MONTH**” in Broward County, Florida.

January 21st, 2010
Date



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Mayor