

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: August 21, 2007

Date Submitted: August 20, 2007

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Marlon Brown, County Manager
Jon D. Brown, Public/Intergovernmental Relations Officer

Subject: Support of Workforce Development Week in Gadsden County

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item seeks Board recognition of September 3-7, 2007 as 2007 Workforce Development Week.

Background:

WORKFORCE *plus* serves as an employment solution by linking businesses in need of qualified employees with the people in our community who need and want competitive, career-advancing employment. **WORKFORCE *plus*** offers four locations designed to train the workforce on how to meet the demands of the 21st century marketplace. In 2006, **WORKFORCE *plus*** assisted more than 1,000 employers by providing placements of 17,647 individuals from Gadsden, Leon, and Wakulla counties.

Analysis:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Options:

1. Board Recognition of Monday, September 3, 2007 - Friday, September 7, 2007 as 2007 Workforce Development Week in Gadsden County, Florida and Proclamation Execution by the Chairman.
2. Board Direction.

Recommendation:

Option 1 - Board Recognition of Monday, September 3, 2007 - Friday, September 7, 2007 as 2007 Workforce Development Week in Gadsden County, Florida and Proclamation Execution by the Chairman.

Attachment:

1. PROCLAMATION #2007-042

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**PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
IN GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA SUPPORTING
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WEEK IN GADSDEN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, WORKFORCE *plus* serves as your employment solution by linking businesses in need of qualified employees with the people in our community who need and want competitive, career-advancing employment; and

WHEREAS, WORKFORCE *plus* offers four locations designed to train the workforce on how to meet the demands of the 21st century marketplace; and

WHEREAS, WORKFORCE *plus* provides financial incentives to participating small business owners, offering tax credits of up to 50 percent; and

WHEREAS, WORKFORCE *plus* the annual **WORKFORCE *plus*** Job Fair involves more than 100 employers from Gadsden, Leon and Wakulla counties to recruit future employees; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, WORKFORCE *plus* assists more than 1,000 employers by providing placements of 17,647 individuals from Gadsden, Leon and Wakulla counties; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of the many workforce professionals contribute to maintaining WORKFORCE *plus* as a leader in economic growth and new economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners expresses a desire to support the continued efforts of WORKFORCE *plus*; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners hereby declares the week of September 3, 2007 as **Workforce Development Week** in Gadsden County, Florida and commend **WORKFORCE *plus*** for their hard work and dedication to improving the community's economic landscape.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that a copy of this Proclamation be kept in the records of the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners and that this Proclamation be forwarded to the leadership of **WORKFORCE *plus*** to demonstrate the great importance of the organization's efforts to the current and future citizens of Gadsden County.

Passed this 21st day of August, 2007.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Brenda A. Holt, Chairman

ATTEST:

Nicholas Thomas, Clerk