

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the year 2019 marks the 175th anniversary of the creation of Marion County Florida; and

WHEREAS, when the U.S. Government acquired Florida in 1821, scouts were sent to survey the peninsula and in 1825, the government created an agency to oversee the Seminole population in what would become Marion County, the U.S. Army established a military outpost to protect the northern boundary of the Indian reservation; and

WHEREAS, between 1842 and 1844, the county was still a part of Alachua, Mosquito (Orange) and Hillsborough counties and the closest county seat was in Alachua, a difficult 50 miles from Fort King. As a result, early settlers began to get restless for a new county; and

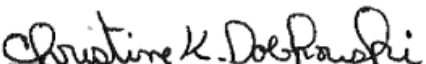
WHEREAS, the territorial legislative council authorized the formation of Marion County and Richard Keith Call, the territorial governor, signed the law on March 25, 1844; and

WHEREAS Marion County has grown substantially in its history and now boasts significant economic development and the title of Horse Capital of the World; and

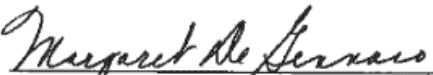
WHEREAS the people and natural landmarks of Marion County have contributed greatly to the history of the state of Florida; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine K. Dobkowski, Mayor/Commissioner of the City of Belleview on behalf of the Commission of the City of Belleview, do hereby proclaim the year of 2019 as

THE 175th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF MARION COUNTY


CHRISTINE K. DOBKOWSKI
Mayor/Commissioner

Attest:


Margaret DeGennaro, MMC, CPS
City Clerk

