

City of Sanibel

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** The National League of Cities was founded in 1924 in Lawrence, Kansas, as the American Municipal Association by state municipal leagues seeking more coordination and national representation as cities, towns, and villages expanded rapidly; and
- WHEREAS:** The nonpartisan National League of Cities is the oldest and largest organization representing municipal governments throughout the United States, representing the interests of more than 19,000 cities, towns, and villages across the country; and
- WHEREAS:** The National League of Cities has successfully championed federal legislative solutions that support municipalities and has worked closely with Congress and the Executive Branch to educate policymakers on the realities of local implementation; and
- WHEREAS:** From the nation's smallest villages to its largest cities, America's local governments have been essential in transforming the United States of America into the greatest, most influential nation in world history; and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Sanibel is a proud member of the National League of Cities, and has benefited from the organization's research, technical expertise, federal advocacy and opportunities to learn from other local governments; and
- WHEREAS:** Sanibel City Councilmember, Holly Smith, currently serves as the President of the Florida League of Cities and on the Board of Directors of the National League of Cities; and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Sanibel incorporated in 1974 and is proudly served today by Mayor Mike Miller, Vice Mayor John Henshaw, Councilmember Laura DeBruce, Councilmember Richard Johnson, and Councilmember Holly D. Smith; and a municipal workforce of one hundred and seventy-four dedicated public servants.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that The City of Sanibel hereby proclaims May 2026 as National Cities, Towns, and Villages Month in celebration of America's local governments and the National League of Cities' historic centennial anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Sanibel to be affixed hereto.

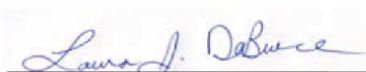
This 5th day of May 2026



Mike Miller, Mayor



John Henshaw, Vice Mayor



Laura DeBruce, Councilmember



Richard Johnson, Councilmember



Holly D. Smith, Councilmember