

**WHEREAS**, the American Kennel Club, the largest registry of purebred dogs, was established in 1884 to foster interest in purebred dogs and to promote their welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the AKC promotes responsible dog ownership through programs such as Canine Good Citizen and permanent animal identification; and

**WHEREAS**, the AKC established AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day on September 17, the day of its founding, to promote all aspects of responsible dog ownership including proper veterinary care, safety around children, obedience training and licensing – all of which are essential to a happy and healthy bond between a dog and its owner; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of AKC clubs and other animal organizations across the country have committed to educating the public about responsible dog ownership through local events and demonstrations; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Volusia Kennel Club promotes AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day by providing education at the AKC dog show at the Volusia County Fairgrounds; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**WE, THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2011, as:

**“AKC RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP DAY”**

in Volusia County and remind residents that every dog deserves a responsible, educated and respectful owner.

**Dated this 24th day of September, A.D. 2011**

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**



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**FRANK T. BRUNO, JR., County Chair**



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**PATRICIA NORTHEY, Vice Chair, District 5**



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**JOYCE M. CUSACK, At Large**



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**ANDY KELLY, District 1**



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**JOSHUA J. WAGNER, District 2**



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**JOIE ALEXANDER, District 3**



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**CARL G. PERSIS, District 4**