

**MEDIATION WEEK**

**WHEREAS** Florida is a leader in recognizing and promoting mediation as an alternative to litigation; and

**WHEREAS**, administrative agencies and court programs use mediation to effectively and efficiently resolve disputes, and

**WHEREAS**, Mediation empowers individuals by developing solutions to conflict that are tailored to their particular needs, and

**WHEREAS**, Peer mediations is being practiced in the Citrus County Middle schools

**WHEREAS**, The Citrus County Court Mediation Program has been recognized as one of the outstanding programs in Florida, and;

**WHEREAS**, Governor Jeb Bush has declared the week of October 15-22, 2006 as Mediation Week;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, The Board of County Commissioners, Citrus County, Florida do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing October 15-22, 2006 as Mediation Week.