

PROCLAMATION

APRIL 2006- READ TOGETHER PALM BEACH COUNTY MONTH

WHEREAS, an estimated forty (40%) percent of the adults in the United States every year do not read a single book; and

WHEREAS, only forty-five (45%) percent of Americans read at least a half-hour a day; and

WHEREAS, **Read Together Palm Beach County** seeks to promote reading, thoughtful dialogue and meaningful interaction among Palm Beach County residents; and

WHEREAS, high school students throughout the county will be reading and analyzing the book; and

WHEREAS, many businesses and chambers will be encouraging their employees to read and discuss the book together; and

WHEREAS, all public libraries and countless local service clubs will be hosting book discussion events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent and School Board of Palm Beach County do hereby proclaim April 2006, as **Read Together Palm Beach County Month**, and encourage everyone to read the book *To Kill a Mockingbird* and join a book discussion group between March 17, 2006 - April 30, 2006.

Done this 15th day of March, two thousand six, in West Palm Beach, Florida

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