

First Lady Ann Scott

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Dear Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee:

Thank you for the opportunity to join your members in recognizing March 21 as World Down Syndrome Day. It is a great pleasure for me to observe this special day, along with individuals and families in our capital city, around the state of Florida, and across the country.

Every year the voice of people with Down syndrome, and those who live and work with them, grows louder. All who participate in World Down Syndrome Day should be commended for helping to raise awareness of what Down syndrome is, what it means to have Down syndrome, and how people with Down syndrome play a vital role in our communities. Our combined efforts will help ensure that people with Down syndrome enjoy the quality of life they deserve.

First Lady of New Jersey Mary Pat Christie and other first spouses around the country are joining together to spread awareness about the recent advances being made to empower individuals with Down syndrome. Today, I'm proud to work with them to recognize our citizens with Down syndrome in Florida and inspire their loved ones in their continued efforts to advance cognitive research.

Please know how much I appreciate participating in this global initiative that raises awareness and advocates for the rights, inclusion, and well being of people with Down syndrome. I wish you all the best today and every day.

Sincerely,

Ann Scott

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First Lady of Florida

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