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## MARION COUNTY MEDIATION WEEK

## **OCTOBER 2, 2012**

On Tuesday, October 2, 2012, the Marion County Board of County Commissioners recognized the contributions of community-based mediation programs and mediators by proclaiming October 14-20, 2012 as Mediation Week.

Mediation is a voluntary, non-adversarial, and informed method of conflict resolution that empowers individuals and businesses to develop solutions to conflicts which are mutually agreeable and tailored to their particular needs.

Mediation Week acknowledges and celebrates the strides that have been made in promoting mediation as an appropriate method for dispute resolution and an alternative to legislation.

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