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PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Celebrate literacy by participating in the largest shared reading experience!

On October 22, 2015 between 8am and 12pm the Wilton Manors Police Department (WMPD), the City of Wilton Manors, and the Wilton Manors Elementary School (WMES) will partner with the Children's Services Council of Broward County to make an impact on the literacy development of our community members through the Broward Reads for the Record Campaign.

Read for the Record is a global campaign that generates public support for high-quality early learning and highlights the importance of building children's vocabulary and a love for reading.

WMPD Chief Paul O'Connell will be a guest reader during this event at WMES at 10:30am.

Throughout this event children and adults not only within the City of Wilton Manors, but worldwide will take action by participating in the world's largest shared reading experience. This year's chosen campaign book to read is a children's book titled *Not Norman: A Goldfish Story*, written by Kelly Bennett and illustrated by Noah Z. Jones. This book, a humorous tale about a child who finds a new

friend in an unexpected place will be read to children at the elementary school right here in Wilton Manors. This book includes vivid illustrations and expressive language that is sure to engage children and adults of all ages.

Please join us to break the world reading record for the most people reading the same book on the same day by becoming a volunteer reader at a nearby school.

To volunteer to read, please call 954-233-1300 or visit **www.handsonbroward.org**

For more information on this event please visit: **http://www.cscbroward.org/**

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