

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the desire for peace is shared by all people around the world and remains humanity's guiding inspiration and deepest hopes; and

WHEREAS, in 1981 the United Nations established the **International Day of Peace** by the General Assembly Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace, and it was declared as a day devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideas of peace both within and among all nations and peoples, and

WHEREAS, each year the International Day of Peace is observed on September 21st worldwide, and the 2014 theme is *The Right of Peoples to Peace*, recognizing that the promotion of peace is vital for the full enjoyment of all human rights; and

WHEREAS, crises around the world compel all individuals to work toward world peace and in 2001, the United Nations expanded the observance of the International Day of Peace to include a call for a global ceasefire and non-violence, and it invited all nations and people to honor a cessation of hostilities for the duration of the day; and

WHEREAS, it is important to encourage and support such observances as the International Day of Peace, affirming a vision of our world at peace, and fostering understanding and cooperation amongst all races, faiths, ethnicities and cultures, and is a necessary goal to work toward world peace today on behalf of future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 21, 2014 as

"INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE"

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all citizens and organizations to commemorate this occasion in ways which will work to ensure a more peaceful and sustainable world for all.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 4th day of September, 2014.



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