

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, founded in 2004, the Helios Education Foundation mission is dedicated to creating opportunities for individuals in Arizona and Florida to succeed in postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, the vision of the Helios Education Foundation is that every individual in Arizona and Florida has the opportunity to attend and is prepared to succeed in postsecondary education and the organization is guided by the principle that education changes lives and strengthens communities; and

WHEREAS, the Helios Education Foundation is dedicated to the belief that, regardless of zip code, every child should be reading at grade level by the end of third grade, that every student should be academically prepared to graduate high school ready for college and a career, and that every individual should have the opportunity to complete a high-quality postsecondary degree or certificate; and

WHEREAS, the Helios Education Foundation Education enriches lives through education and is committed to its goal of continually increasing the number of young adults successfully completing postsecondary education with the skills and knowledge necessary to compete in a global economy, leading to an improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, by way of Community Investment grants, Helios Education Foundation has invested over \$46 million throughout the state of Florida, and established local partnerships with Hillsborough County Public Schools, Hillsborough Community College, the University of South Florida and the University of Tampa impacting thousands of students and educators over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of its **10th Anniversary**, the Helios Education Foundation will welcome guests to an Open House on Thursday, November 13, 2014 at its office located at 100 North Tampa Street in downtown Tampa, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 13, 2014 as

“HELIOS EDUCATION FOUNDATION DAY”

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating the Helios Education Foundation on this 10th Anniversary milestone and thanking all those involved for their contributions to our community's youth, and the impact it has on their education and in their lives.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 3rd day of November, 2014.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

