

# In Memoriam



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa takes pride in recognizing those individuals whose dedication have made a lasting impact on our community and its citizens. One of these individuals was **Stacy Collier Frank**, a beloved and respected Attorney, Business Owner and Political Activist who passed away on Saturday, June 25, 2016, at age 61; and

**WHEREAS**, born on October 8, 1954 in Washington, D.C. to the Honorable Pat Frank, Hillsborough County Clerk of the Circuit Court and the late Honorable Richard Frank, former Florida 2<sup>nd</sup> District Court of Appeal Judge, Ms. Frank grew up in Tampa, Florida in the Davis Islands community where she developed a passion for fishing as a child, learned marksmanship from her father, and her love of politics was sparked at a young age by her parents' local and state government public service; and

**WHEREAS**, upon graduation from Henry B. Plant High School, she graduated from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Washington, D.C. and thereafter was awarded her Jurist Doctor (J.D.) from the University of Florida College of Law. Ms. Frank was a respected attorney, well-known for her strong ethics and dedication to her clients with a specialty in telecommunications, and she had an entrepreneurial spirit and served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Collier Enterprises II, a successful business services company; and

**WHEREAS**, committed to politics throughout her lifetime, Ms. Frank was a passionate and savvy Democrat who had her pulse on the political scene here at home, statewide and nationally, she served as an advisor and mentor to many political candidates and elected officials, and she was an advocate for causes including those affecting minorities. She ran for the Florida House of Representatives, District 57 in 2010, and successfully managed her mother, Pat Frank's campaigns for Hillsborough County Clerk of the Circuit Court; and

**WHEREAS**, dedicated to the community she loved, Ms. Frank was a member of several organizations including the Athena Society, Hillsborough Commission on the Status of Women, Tampa Bay Committee on Foreign Relations and the Florida Bar Association. She was an animal lover, avid fishing angler, a popular hostess who enjoyed entertaining, and she loved spending time with her family and many friends; and

**WHEREAS**, known as an inspiration to all who knew her, she will be forever remembered for her deep love of family and friends, her passion, intelligence, generosity, fearlessness, energy, and strength, and although we are grieved at the loss of this extraordinary citizen, her legacy will continue to live on through the impact she had on our community and in all those whose lives she has touched and encouraged.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby urge all citizens to join me in publicly expressing sorrow and heartfelt appreciation to the Stacy Collier Frank Family, her mother Pat, sisters Hillary and Courtney, aunt Lenore, niece Courtney, nephew Collier, and other family members, and to express our hopes that they will take solace in their many cherished memories and the impact of her life on our city.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.



*Bob Buckhorn*  
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