

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, families are the foundation of our nation's society and passing on their history ensures that future generations will be aware of the role our ancestors had in forming our great nation and the impact their lives, cultures and ways of life have on ourselves; and

WHEREAS, family history research is one of the most popular hobbies in our country, enabling individuals to celebrate their ancestors' achievements as well as pass on important genetic information vital to the health and well-being of family members; and

WHEREAS, locally, the **Florida Genealogical Society (Tampa)**, founded in Tampa, Florida on January 28, 1958, is the state's oldest genealogical society and its mission is to foster and encourage the research, publication, and preservation of family histories, genealogical records and historical materials for future generations; and

WHEREAS, for six decades, the Florida Genealogical Society (Tampa) has assisted its members and the citizens of the Tampa Bay community in modern and traditional methods of research, provided educational activities related to genealogy, and the organization is dedicated to promoting interest and study of ancestral history, geography and social customs; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Genealogical Society (Tampa) will recognize its 60th Anniversary on Sunday, January 28, 2018, and will continue the milestone celebration on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at the John F. Germany Library Auditorium, and the event will offer an opportunity for its members and guests to reflect on all that has been accomplished over the years and the importance of the history it has helped to preserve.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby designate Sunday, January 28, 2018 as

"FLORIDA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY DAY"

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and encourage all citizens to congratulate the Florida Genealogical Society on its 60th Anniversary, thank them for assisting others in learning about their own unique family histories.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 17th day of January, 2018.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

