

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, established in 1982, *Primrose Schools* is a national system of accredited private schools providing premier early education and a child care experience for children and families; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with parents, children and staff, Primrose Schools is dedicated to its *Primrose Promise* of making a difference in the lives of all American children, especially those at the greatest risk, and its *Balanced Learning* curriculum promotes a teacher-directed/child-initiated approach to learning; and

WHEREAS, a not-for-profit organization, Primrose Schools has donated more than \$2.4 million to national charities benefitting children including Save the Children, Reach Out and Read, Children's Miracle Network, Zero to Three, and Ronald McDonald Charities, and the *Primrose Children's Foundation* is dedicated to lifesaving and life-changing relief to children in need; and

WHEREAS, locally, Primrose School of South Tampa was founded on August 13, 2013 by Jana Radtke and Christy Blackard, and it continues to be committed to its mission of delivering the best and most trusted early education and care for the children in the Tampa area, and each year it serves approximately 450 families with children ranging from infants to pre-kindergarten; and

WHEREAS, the Primrose School of South Tampa is committed to the Tampa Bay community and raises funding to support many charitable organizations including the National Pediatric Cancer Foundation, Metropolitan Ministries, the Tampa General Children's Medical Foundation, and Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Primrose School of South Tampa is hosting a *5th Anniversary Celebration* on Monday, August 13, 2018 at the school's Percy Plaza, and the event honors its founders and provides the opportunity for faculty, staff, parents, children and guests to reflect on all that has been accomplished over the past five years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Monday, August 13, 2018 as

"PRIMROSE SCHOOL OF SOUTH TAMPA DAY"

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating Primrose School of South Tampa on this milestone anniversary and in thanking them for their dedication to the children and families of our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 2nd day of July, 2018.

Bob Buchhon
Mayor