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Jane Castor, Mayor

WHEREAS, the city of Tampa, Florida is known for having some of the most unique and finest restaurants in the nation and recognizes the important role they have on the economic vitality of our city, and their success is critical to the city's overall progress and prestige; and

WHEREAS, Tampa's restaurants also contribute to our culture and our neighborhoods by providing both residents and visitors with a source of excellent cuisine, entertainment, and venues to meet others socially and to conduct business; and

WHEREAS, National Cheat Day, a day to include in a favorite food or to discover a new delicious creation is an initiative of Datz Deli, a South Tampa, Florida restaurant established on January 28, 2009, and it is well-known for its innovative culinary creations; and

WHEREAS, National Cheat Day's mission is to offer the opportunity for citizens to explore and celebrate the diverse and award winning food and drinks found in Tampa Bay area restaurants and in communities throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Cheat Day event will help stimulate the economy by supporting local businesses and motivating people to enjoy all the delicious and exciting things that local food and drink establishments have to offer; and

WHEREAS, visitors and citizens of Tampa Bay can participate in the fourth annual National Cheat Day on Thursday, January 23, 2020 by hashtagging #NationalCheatDay on social media, mainly through Twitter, and posting a photo of their favorite "cheat" meal they are enjoying at local restaurants.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida do hereby proclaim Thursday, January 23, 2020 as

"NATIONAL CHEAT DAY"

in the city of Tampa, Florida and urge all residents to join in the celebration by participating at local restaurants during this special day that allows the opportunity for individuals to indulge in culinary delights.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 8th day of January, 2020.

Mayor Mayor