

# Proclamation

The seal of the City of Tampa, Florida, featuring a ship on the water, surrounded by the text "CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA" and "ORGANIZED JULY 15, 1887".

Jane Castor, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, while statistically only a little over ten percent of construction workers are women, current construction projects across the nation are increasing, and more and more companies are recruiting women and their skills to fill needed jobs in all areas of the construction industry including owners, architects, contractors and subcontractors, material suppliers, tradeswomen, accountants, estimators, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, founded in 1953, the **National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)** is a network for women in the field of construction, and its members are dedicated to its mission of championing women to impact the direction of the construction industry through education, community, and advocacy for women, and to its core values established by its founders nearly seven decades ago to strengthen and amplify the success of women in construction, and it provides its members with opportunities for education, support and networking to help career advancement, skills building, leadership and professional development, and public service; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Association of Women in Construction whose motto is "*Leading builders. Building leaders.*" established **Women in Construction Week**, this year held March 7-13, 2021, to highlight women as a viable component of the construction industry, to provide an occasion for NAWIC members across the United States to raise awareness of the opportunities available for women in construction, and to emphasize the growing role of women in the industry; and

**WHEREAS**, locally, the **National Association of Women in Construction Tampa Chapter 36** was established in 1960 as the voice of women in construction in the Tampa Bay region, and the organization fully promotes the employment and advancement of women in the construction industry; and

**WHEREAS**, the NAWIC Tampa Chapter 36 has been a driving force in fostering community development through renovation and beautification projects, it promotes skilled trade careers, and collaborates with other organizations to achieve successful results with a goal of a positive vision for the future; and

**WHEREAS**, the NAWIC Tampa Chapter 36 will join with other chapters for the Southeast Region Forum on April 22-25, 2021 at the Tampa Convention Center and Embassy Suites Tampa, and the event includes educational workshops, guest speakers, an architectural scavenger hunt, awards banquet and much more.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 7-13, 2021 as

## ***"WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK"***

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the dedicated women in construction and in thanking them for the many contributions they make to the citizens of our community and nation.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2021.



*Jane Castor*  
Mayor