

# Proclamation



Jane Castor, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, Tampa Bay, Florida is a dynamic, diverse region with a rich cultural history, and it is well-known as a community of athletic champions including within our little leagues, schools, colleges, universities and professional sport teams, and it is fitting to celebrate the 2020-2021 season by dedicating Friday, April 23, 2021 as **Champion's Day**; and

**WHEREAS**, on Monday, September 28, 2020, the *Tampa Bay Lightning* won the National Hockey League's *2020 Stanley Cup Final* which took place in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, whereby the Eastern Conference Champions Tampa Bay Lightning defeated the Western Conference Champions Dallas Stars clinching the series 4 wins to 2, and it was the second Stanley Cup championship won by the Lightning with the first occurring in 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, on Sunday, February 7, 2021, the *Tampa Bay Buccaneers* won the National Football League's *Lombardi Trophy* in Super Bowl LV (55), which took place at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Florida when the Buccaneers defeated the Kansas City Chiefs 31-9, and it was the second Super Bowl championship for the Buccaneer franchise after also winning in 2003, and the first time in NFL history a home team has both played in and won the Super Bowl in the host city, and the team established a new franchise record for scoring with 492 points and 59 touchdowns; and

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday, October 17, 2020, the *Tampa Bay Rays* claimed the 2020 American League Pennant when the team defeated the Houston Astros 4 wins to 3 in the championship series at Petco Park in San Diego, California, advancing to the World Series for the second time in franchise history, the first being in 2008, and

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday, October 24, 2020, the *Tampa Bay Rowdies*, whose home is Al Lang Stadium, won the United Soccer League (USL) Eastern Conference Championship, the first time advancing to the Championship Final since joining the USL in 2017, when they broke Louisville City FC's (Football Club) 13-match unbeaten streak, defeating them 2 to 1.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jane Castor, along with Mayor Rick Kriseman and Mayor Frank Hibbard, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 23, 2021 as

## **"CHAMPION'S DAY"**

in Tampa Bay, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating all of the outstanding champion teams for their efforts and successes, in continuing to enthusiastically support our championship sports organizations, and show them appreciation for the pride they instill in our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2021



*Jane Castor*  
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Mayor