

# Proclamation



Jane Castor, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is committed to delivering outstanding services to enhance the quality of life within our community, and to recognize those committed to that mission; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) is a nonprofit organization established in 1972, and its mission includes improving the quality of vehicle repair and service by testing and certifying automotive professionals; and

**WHEREAS**, the ASE has designated the month of June as **National Automotive Professionals Month** to recognize automotive service professionals who are proficient, credentialed and committed to excellence, and annually within the month, June 10<sup>th</sup> is recognized and National Automotive Professionals Day with June 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> as National Automotive Professionals Week; and

**WHEREAS**, 95 percent of the *City of Tampa's Department of Logistics & Asset Management's Fleet Maintenance Division* staff members are ASE certified, ensuring at least 90 percent vehicle availability for City departments, and the Division has consistently been awarded the ASE's *Blue Seal of Excellence*, recognizing the competence and credibility of the auto repair shop technicians who are dedicated to keeping vehicles on the roads safely every day with a mission of providing efficient, cost-effective and customer driven municipal Fleet Management Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Fleet Management Services team of 64 individuals maintains and repairs over 3,300 vehicles and equipment including complex and technical fire apparatus and other emergency response vehicles, challenging heavy equipment vehicles such as those utilized for automatic collection for solid waste and stormwater vacuum trucks, operates seven fueling sites that dispense approximately 1.4 million gallons of fuel, and in support of the City's Transforming Tampa's Tomorrow initiative and sustainability vision, the division has incorporated 22 fully electric vehicles, 30 Hybrid vehicles and 94 compressed natural gas garbage trucks.

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

## **"NATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE PROFESSIONALS MONTH"**

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and encourage all citizens to thank and recognize the many contributions dedicated automotive professionals in the City of Tampa and those within our community who every day ensure our roadway safety.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.



*Jane Castor*  
Mayor