

Proclamation



Jane Castor, Mayor

WHEREAS, the City of Tampa takes pride in recognizing those individuals whose commitment and dedication have made a lasting impact on our community and its citizens. **Reverend Larry L. Roundtree II**, Community Leader and beloved Pastor of New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Tampa, Florida, is one such person; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Lakeland, Florida, Reverend Roundtree attended Greater St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church there and graduated from Lakeland Senior High School, and thereafter he attended Florida Agriculture and Mechanical University (FAMU); and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from FAMU, Reverend Roundtree began his dedication to Christian Ministry and was appointed Youth Pastor at the church he grew up in, Greater St. Paul Missionary Baptist, and later became Pastor of New Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Loughman, Florida; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Reverend Roundtree was called to lead New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Tampa, Florida, as its Pastor, and he has continued the outstanding legacy of this iconic church founded in 1902 and located at 2511 Columbus Drive, and he has built on its commitment to be a *Baptist church centered on Christ, bible-based, relationship-driven body of believers*; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Roundtree has greatly enhanced New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church's mission of *Changing the World through the Love of Christ, One Soul at a Time*, and he is committed to its vision of building an authentic community internally, in order to transform communities externally, for the glory of God, and during his decade of service, Reverend Roundtree has ensured the church's growth, success, and impact on the Tampa Bay area through his resolute dedication to his church, congregation, and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, loved and respected by the members of his church and those within the community for his strong faith and desire to share God's word, Reverend Larry L. and Lady Sameya Roundtree will be honored for providing outstanding leadership of New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church with ***An Evening of Elegance 10th Anniversary Celebration*** on Friday, April 14, 2023, and further recognition held on Sunday, April 16, 2023, with a ***Special 10th Anniversary Church Service***, and the events will provide opportunities to share and celebrate all that has been accomplished during his tenure and provide inspiration for the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 16, 2023, as

“REVEREND LARRY L. ROUNDTREE DAY”

in the city of Tampa, Florida and urge all citizens to join me in thanking him for his contributions to the citizens of our community and wishing him continued success, happiness, and God's blessings in his future.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 16th day of April 2023.



Jane Castor

Mayor