

# Proclamation



*Jane Castor, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, the signing of the **Constitution of the United States of America** by the Constitutional Convention took place on September 17, 1787, laying the groundwork for our system of government today; and

**WHEREAS**, this extraordinary document has safely charted our country through more than two centuries of change and growth, and has served as the model for democratic governments around the globe; and

**WHEREAS**, in commemoration of this event, the United States Congress, by joint resolution of February 29, 1952, designated September 17<sup>th</sup> as **Citizenship Day** annually, and by the joint resolution of August 2, 1956, requested that the President of the United States proclaim the week beginning September 17<sup>th</sup> and ending September 23<sup>rd</sup> of each year as **Constitution Week**; and

**WHEREAS**, these designations remind us to recognize the importance of active, responsible citizenship in preserving our Constitution's blessings and the historic importance of the Constitution's role on our lives today; and

**WHEREAS**, these commemorations also serve to encourage us to draw strength and guidance from our Constitution to ensure that the vast benefits of American liberty endure and extend for many generations to come; and

**WHEREAS**, established in 1890, the **National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution** (NSDAR) is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children, and the City of Tampa is pleased to join Tampa's **De Soto Chapter of the NSDAR** in commemorating these events.

**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 week of September 17-23, 2023, as

## ***"CONSTITUTION WEEK"***

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in reflecting on the rights and responsibilities of citizenship and the many precious gifts our Constitution provides us.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.



*Jane Castor*  
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Mayor