

Proclamation



Jane Castor, Mayor

WHEREAS, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey®, The Greatest Show On Earth®, has been a cherished and iconic part of American entertainment for more than 140 years, captivating *Children of All Ages* with its awe-inspiring performances, world-class talent, and unforgettable experiences; and

WHEREAS, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey has a time-honored tradition of entertaining families and communities, promoting the values of unity, inclusivity, and the pursuit of dreams, which align with the core values of Tampa, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Feld Entertainment®, the renowned producer of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey for nearly 60 years, has chosen Tampa as a top destination to bring back this iconic show, bringing joy, wonder, fun, and excitement to our city and the entire region; and

WHEREAS, the launch date of January 5, 2024, marks a historic moment when Tampa becomes the epicenter of The Greatest Show On Earth, an extraordinary spectacle that showcases our city's well-known capacity to host world-class events; and

WHEREAS, the presence of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey in Tampa is an occasion for entertainment, and an opportunity to bring together our residents, visitors, and circus enthusiasts from far and wide to share in the extravaganza and excitement that this legendary show provides, and the City of Tampa recognizes the importance of celebrating such remarkable events that enrich the cultural fabric of our city and enhances the quality of life for our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim January 5, 2024, as

“RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS DAY”

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in welcoming the performers, crew, and fans to our city and wishing everyone an exciting, enjoyable, and most memorable day.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 4th day of January, 2024.



Jane Castor

Mayor