

Proclamation



Jane Castor, Mayor

WHEREAS, this year marks the 35th Anniversary of the **Hispanic Professional Women's Association (HPWA)** founded in Tampa, Florida, in May 1990 by a group of dedicated and successful Hispanic women; and

WHEREAS, for the past thirty-five years, the Hispanic Professional Women's Association has been committed to its mission of enhancing the image of professional Hispanic women and promoting the value of higher education; and

WHEREAS, in support of its mission, the goals of the Hispanic Professional Women's Association are to develop educational opportunities for Hispanic women that foster professional and personal growth, provide mentoring and financial scholarships to qualified female Hispanic students in the Tampa Bay region, and create awareness about important issues that relate to the Hispanic community; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Hispanic Professional Women's Association and guests join annually for the ***Gala and Scholarship Awards Ceremony*** to celebrate the organization's accomplishments and the difference it has made in the Tampa Bay community, and the impact its educational initiatives and scholarships have made in the lives of many Hispanic women since the organization was established over three decades ago; and

WHEREAS, the ***2025 Hispanic Professional Women's Association's Scholarship Awards Gala*** is held on Saturday, May 17, 2025, at TPepin's Hospitality Centre in Tampa, Florida, and the special gala featuring the theme ***Across the Stars*** will include honoring the scholarship recipients and recognizing the organization's mentorship program participants.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 17, 2025, as

“HISPANIC PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DAY”

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and encourage all citizens to acknowledge the many contributions and the ongoing dedication of the members of the Hispanic Professional Women's Association toward a better future for our citizens.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 22nd day of April, 2025.



Jane Castor

Mayor