

Pam Iorio, 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. Gayle Guyardo, anchor of WFLA's "News Channel 8 Today" morning show, is one such person; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in the Tampa Bay area, Gayle attended Auburn University in Alabama, where she graduated with a degree in communications. She also attended Northwestern University in Illinois as part of a specialized theater and communications program; and

WHEREAS, while in college, Gayle held several internships at television news stations, including Tampa Bay's WTOG Channel 44. Following college, she worked as a Capitol City reporter for Montgomery, Alabama's ABC affiliate. She later anchored the station's "Good Morning Alabama" segment while also serving as its evening weather anchor; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Gayle joined the WFLA News Channel 8 family where she has since become a visible part of Tampa Bay and a trusted source of the area's top news for 17 years; and

WHEREAS, she has been involved in many community organizations and volunteer programs throughout the Tampa Bay area to help improve our community and serves as a role model for others; and

WHEREAS, as one of the most popular television personalities in the Tampa Bay area, the City of Tampa is honored to congratulate Gayle Guyardo on her retirement from WFLA News Channel 8 after 17 years and is grateful for the many contributions she has made to our community and its citizens. We look forward to her continued involvement in the community and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pam Iorio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2010 as

"GAYLE GUYARDO DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all citizens to join me in wishing her continued success and happiness in her future.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 26th day of February, 2010.

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