

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Health Department, the public health authority in our community, has the responsibility to promote, protect, and improve the health of all 1.2 million residents and the millions of visitors to our county each year; and

WHEREAS, their vision is to achieve a sustainable, high-quality of life for a healthy, vibrant population that values where they live, work, and play and that also benefits from a dynamic economy that has been a vital part of the progress of Hillsborough County for the last 75 years; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Health Department's guiding principles include: looking with Honesty (and have mutual respect) to see reality, Thinking with Fairness to achieve mutual purpose, feeling Devoted to doing the right thing, acting with Courage, and being accountable and achieving Excellence in outcomes and results; and

WHEREAS, a healthy and productive community is essential to the mission of the Hillsborough County Health Department's ability to successfully promote and protect the health and safety of all its citizens. Poor health in our county will erode our most important asset - the people of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Health Department's dynamic team has worked tirelessly to meet the challenges and needs of their community. They served as the county's lead agency for response to the 2009-2010 H1N1 influenza pandemic during which they coordinated the distribution of over 300,000 vaccines to private providers. They also planned and executed the health and medical response necessary to successfully receive 72 critically injured victims of the February 2010 Haiti earthquake; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Health Department, its leadership, and staff have contributed greatly to the health and well-being of our citizens over the past 75 years and we are honored to recognize their many efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 4, 2011 as

"HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida and call upon all citizens to join me in congratulating them on achieving this milestone in their history and in thanking all those involved through the years for helping ensure a healthy quality of life for all residents.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 4th day of April, 2011.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor