

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute has made a lasting commitment to contribute to the prevention and cure of cancer; and

WHEREAS, Moffitt team members work tirelessly in the areas of patient care, research and education to constantly advance in the fight against this disease; and

WHEREAS, Moffitt Cancer Center is a National Cancer Institute Comprehensive Cancer Center, a prestigious designation elevating Moffitt into a group of only 40 centers nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Moffitt's vision is to be the leader in scientific discovery and translation into compassionate care, cures and the prevention of cancer in our community, the great state of Florida and the world; and

WHEREAS, Florida has the nation's second highest incidence of cancer, and cancer is the second leading cause of death; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 new cancer cases are diagnosed in Florida each year and vital information about prevention and early detection could help to reduce this number; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2011 the Moffitt Foundation will initiate a month-long campaign called *Make May Moffitt Month* to raise awareness of the strides the Center is making toward ending cancer, and to encourage involvement, support and philanthropic funds in the fight against this disease; and

WHEREAS, May 14, 2011 is the Florida Bank Miles for Moffitt race at USF where patients, families, Moffitt employees and the community can support Moffitt in a venue that promotes health and wellness, and that evening is the 18th annual Magnolia Ball, where patients, community supporters and corporate partners will gather to raise funds for patient care, research, education and Magnolia Lodging Program; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation is inviting the Moffitt faculty and staff, as well as, businesses from across the Bay area to join in *Make May Moffitt Month* by partnering with Moffitt as they pursue their mission "to contribute to the prevention and cure of cancer."

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

"MAKE MAY MOFFITT MONTH"

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and encourage businesses to partner in Moffitt's mission to contribute to the prevention and cure of cancer.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 1st day of May 2011.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor