

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the City of Tampa is known for having some of the finest restaurants in the nation and recognizes the important role they have on the economic vitality of our city – as leading employers, their success is critical to the city's overall workforce; and

WHEREAS, Tampa's restaurants also contribute to our cultural and neighborhood vitality by providing both residents and visitors with a source of entertainment as well as excellent cuisine; and

WHEREAS, Creative Loafing, Tampa Bay's third largest newspaper and an award-winning publication that is known for its commitment to the community, organized the first Tampa Bay Restaurant Week in 2008. This event offered promotional opportunities for local restaurants as well as a chance for diners to sample the many flavors of Bay area cuisine at a very good price; and

WHEREAS, 2011 marks the Fourth annual celebration of this event which is coordinated, promoted and publicized by Creative Loafing Tampa, putting the Tampa Bay area in the company of New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Denver and other cities around the country celebrating a Restaurant Week; and

WHEREAS, with over 90 restaurants participating in the last three years, 2011 will feature more than 50 restaurants offering an opportunity for citizens to enjoy a three-course dining experience at a significant savings. All menus and participating dining establishments will be listed at tampabayrestaurantweek.com; and

WHEREAS, this event will help stimulate our economy by supporting our local restaurants and motivating the public to dine out and enjoy the culinary diversity our community has to offer.

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 week of June 16 - June 26, 2011 as

"TAMPA BAY RESTAURANT WEEK"

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all residents to join in the festivities being celebrated at participating restaurants during this time.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 6th day of June, 2011.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

