

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, "CareFest 2011" is a catalytic community service day that inspires people to "Bee Caretagious; Making Caring Contagious" all year long; and

WHEREAS, the objective of CareFest 2011 is to mobilize local businesses, the church community, and social agencies to work together to meet the needs of citizens within the various communities of Tampa Bay; and

WHEREAS, this event will be hosted by the non-profit organization Somebody Cares Tampa Bay (SCTB), a network of independent, community based agencies that provide outreach support to Tampa Bay Ministries who assist poverty-stricken families and the working poor; and

WHEREAS, working with local ministries and in collaboration with CareFest USA, Somebody Cares Tampa Bay works to provide the basic necessities of life and to educate and develop healthy, self-sustaining communities, families and individuals; and

WHEREAS, they achieve this goal through projects that beautify and repair homes and neighborhoods. Last year, work was completed on 283 projects in 11 cities, using over 4,000 volunteers, bringing approximately \$1 million worth of goods and services to these communities; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Tampa are urged to be a part of this day which will serve to inspire others to build a culture of caring within our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2011 as

"CAREFEST - A DAY OF CARING"

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in thanking those involved in this event for their hard work and dedication to the betterment of our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 12th day of September, 2011.

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