

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century was established in 1915 and its spirit is reflected in the 12,000 members who are descendants of early colonists to the United States of America, and membership extends to 45 states and an international chapter in Canada; and

WHEREAS, the members share a common interest in American history, honor the hardships and heroism of those who sought spiritual and economic freedom, and acknowledge those individuals whose lasting legacy of virtue, courage, and patriotism molded the character of this nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century maintains a museum in its National Headquarters building in Washington, D.C., and through goals and projects identifies and preserves historic sites and records, promotes heraldry and research, and supports charitable projects and education; and

WHEREAS, with the motto “**A Lasting Legacy**” and theme “**Honoring our Heritage, Embracing the Future**,” the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century and the local Tampa, Florida Edmund Sheffield Chapter are sponsoring National Colonial Heritage Month as a means of reinforcing and bringing attention to the legacy of the early arrivals to America, who determined the direction for the formation of our great country and the privileges we enjoy because of them; and

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

“NATIONAL COLONIAL HERITAGE MONTH”

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all citizens to join me in thanking the National Society Colonial Dames VII Century and the local chapter, Edmund Sheffield for preserving our rich culture and heritage.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 25th day of October, 2011.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

