

# Proclamation



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, National Philanthropy Day, sponsored by the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), is a way to acknowledge the many services provided by the nonprofit community, and recognizes the profound impact that philanthropy has on the success of our society; and

**WHEREAS**, the history of American philanthropy is filled with the names of the earliest Americans, and their efforts have contributed to the growth of our nation including universities, free public libraries, homes for widows and orphans, and volunteer fire departments, and today the nonprofit community affects nearly every citizen through museums and concerts, school-sponsored day trips, little league and other programs that enrich our youth, and social service agencies that provide food, clothing, housing and training for those less fortunate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and the local Florida Suncoast Chapter representing 250 members in the Tampa Bay area, provide a wide variety of training and networking opportunities, are dedicated to advancing philanthropy through advocacy, research, education, and certification programs, and fosters development and growth of fundraising professionals, promoting high ethical standards in the fundraising profession; and

**WHEREAS**, believing "we can change the world with a giving heart," the Florida Suncoast Chapter of AFP will host an Awards Luncheon on November 16, 2011 at A La Carte Event Pavilion to recognize philanthropists from the Tampa Bay area and honor community leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is proud to join in acknowledging all those in our community who give so much of themselves to the betterment of our community and in congratulating those being honored.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 16, 2011 as

## ***"NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY"***

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to recognize the tradition of philanthropy and the daily contributions these individuals and organizations make to enhancing the lives of all those who reside in our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

